

Heartland Genealogy 2019 Jan-June



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Nettie Adell Wells

Tuesday, January 01, 2019



Nettie Adell Wells was born on 5 Feb 1873 in Woodson, Kansas, United States. 1– 16 She lived in Liberty Township, Woodson, Kansas, United States on 1 Jul 1875. 17 She was found on the 1875 Kansas census as a 13 year old female and was listed as Nettie Wells. She lived in Liberty, Woodson, Kansas, USA on 1 Mar 1885. 18

Nettie was also known as Nettie Adell Mentzer on 18 Oct 1893. 19

Nettie Adell Wells and Charles Oliver Mentzer were married on 18 Oct 1893 in Yates Center, Woodson, Kansas, United States. 2– 3, 5, 11, 13, 15, 19, 31– 43

She lived in North Township, Woodson, Kansas, United States on 1 Jul 1895. 20 She was found on the 1895 Kansas census as a 21 year old female born IN who came to Kansas from Ind and was listed as L.O. Mentzer.

On 28 Mar 1896, Paul Emory Mentzer was born in in Woodson County, Kansas. 21 On 28 Mar 1896, Pauline Edith Mentzer was born in in Woodson County, Kansas. On 23 Aug 1898, Leslie George Mentzer was born in in Woodson County, Kansas.

She lived in North Township, Woodson, Kansas, United States on 26 Jun 1900. 22 Nettie A Mentzer was listed as the wife of Charles Mentzer on the 1900 census. She was 25 years old having been born Feb 1875 in Kansas. She and Charles had been married 6 years. Nettie was the mother of 4 children, all of whom were living.

On 20 Jul 1900, Herbert Wells Mentzer was born in in Woodson County, Kansas.

Nettie lived in Neosho Falls Township, Woodson, Kansas, United States on 1 Jul 1905. 23 She was found on the 1905 Kansas census as a 32 year old female born in Kansas who was listed as N. A. Mentzer.

She lived in Liberty Township, Coffey, Kansas, United States on 27 Apr 1910. 24 a 37 year old female born Kansas who has been married 16 years and has 5 living children

and was listed as Nettie A. Mentzer She lived in Neosho Township, Coffey, Kansas, United States on 1 Jul 1915. 25 She was found on the 1915 Kansas census as a 42 year old female born in Kansas who was listed as N. A. Mentzer.



Nettie lived in Everett Township, Woodson, Kansas, United States on 10 Feb 1920. 26 She was found on the 1920 census as a 47 year old female born Illinois and was listed as Nettie Mentzer. She lived in Everett Township, Woodson, Kansas, United States on 1 Jul 1925. 6, 27 She was found on the 1925 Kansas census as a 52 year old female born in Kansas who was listed as N. A. Mentzer.

Nettie A Mentzer was listed on the 1930 census as the 57 year old wife of Charles O Mentzer. Nettie married Charles at the age of 20. Nettie was born in Kansas. Nettie lived in Neosho, Kansas, United States on 9 May 1938. 29

She died on 9 Feb 1939 at the age of 66 in Neosho Falls Township, Woodson, Kansas, United States. 1, 4, 7, 10– 12, 16, 30 She was buried on 12 Feb 1939 at Yates Center Cemetery in Yates Center, Woodson, Kansas, United States. 1, 4, 7, 10– 11, 16

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A Look Back

Tuesday, January 01, 2019

Thanks to other geneabloggers, I have recorded statistics for both my RootsMagic tree and my Ancestry tree over the past year.

People	12973
Families	4338
Events	36454
Alternate names	2585
Places	3757
Sources	3692
Citations	50829

RootsMagic Tree

Summary	
People	12608
Photos	5891
Stories	1487
Records	7071

Heartland Genealogy Tree on Ancestry

The numbers are 'nice' but for me to understand whether I have made progress, I have to compare them to where I was on January 1, 2018.

Roots Magic Comparisons

- Roots Magic People in 2018 — 11,269 / in 2019 — 12973 / increase of 1,704 people
- Roots Magic Families in 2018 — 3,744 / in 2019 — 4,338 / increase of 644 families
- Roots Magic Events in 2018 — 29,407 / in 2019 — 36,454 / increase of 7,047 events
- Roots Magic Sources in 2018 — 3,215 / in 2019 — 3,692 / increase of 477 sources
- Roots Magic Citations in 2018 — 39,752 / in 2019 50,829 / increase of 11,077 citations

Ancestry Comparisons

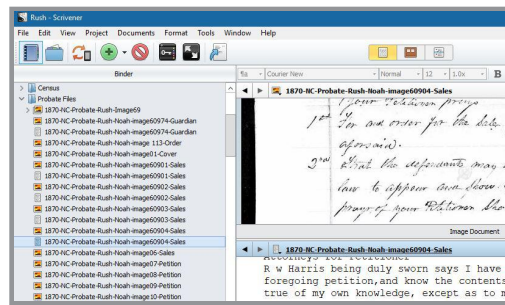
- People in 2018 — 11,257 / in 2019 12,608 / increase of 1,351 people
- Records in 2018 — 1,753 / in 2019 7,071 / increase of 5,318 records

Have I made progress? *My major accomplishment during the past year was to get my Ancestry tree, Heartland Genealogy indexed.* Even though this achievement required me to be patient with Ancestry, it also required me to work thru the shaky leaf hints. Even though I added 5,318 Ancestry records to my tree during 2018, I still have over 20,000 shaky leaf hints for records.

I'm also celebrating that the Seneca Free Public Library was approved by Family Search as an affiliate library. Thus, I can visit my local library and view the 'locked' digitized microfilm in the Family Search catalog.

In August, I started using Scrivener to analyze sources. I've found this tool to be very

useful for transcribing deeds and other documents.



I am getting more familiar with the Family Search tree and learned how to add 'memories'. I am grateful that Family Search is collecting and preserving family stories and memories.

In order for me to make progress with my research, I feel like I have to be a constant learner. During the past year, the following contributed to my continual development of my genealogy research skills.

- Mondays with Myrt hosted by DearMyrtle, Cousin Russ and others
- DNA Study Group hosted by Topeka Genealogical Society
- Brick Wall Study Group hosted by Topeka Genealogical Society
- Legacy Family Tree Webinars
- Blaine Bettinger posts and his FB group Genetic Genealogy Tips and Tricks
- RootsMagic Users FB group
- *Fellow Genealogists willing to share via blogs, tweets, posts*

I wish everyone

a great new year

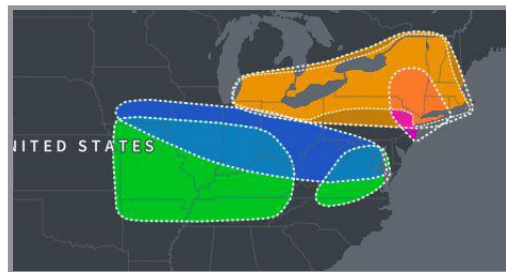
with lots of genealogical successes!

DNA Heritage and Challenge

Thursday, January 03, 2019

During a recent visit with some old friends, the discussion turned to genealogy and DNA. Expecting an answer regarding ethnicity, they asked where my family comes from. My immediate response was KENTUCKY.

Perhaps this quick answer was due to my recent THOMPSON research in Ohio County, Kentucky. The more likely reason is that a lot of ancestral lines seem to go thru Kentucky. (or New York). My brother's migration map from his Ancestry DNA test illustrates our heritage.



Even though many people are infatuated with Ethnicity reports, I am not. Perhaps that is because I have strong Kansas roots. To illustrate those roots, I used the Excel template provided by J Paul Hawthorne in his "A Little Thing that Went Viral" blog. Below is the birth and death locations for 5 generations of my tree:

5 Generations - Birth Locations		
	Indiana	Indiana
	Kansas	Ohio
	Illinois	Pennsylvania
	Kansas	Illinois
	Missouri	Kentucky
	Kansas	New York
	Iowa	New Brunswick
	Kansas	North Carolina
	Kansas	Indiana
	Indiana	Indiana
	Kansas	Massachusetts
	Illinois	Pennsylvania
	Kansas	New York
	Kansas	Ohio

Generation	Relationship	Possible People	Found	Percent
1	Me	1	1	100%
2	Parents	2	2	100%
3	Grandparents	4	4	100%
4	Great-Grandparents	8	8	100%
5	2x Great Grandparents	16	16	100%
6	3x Great Grandparents	32	32	100%
7	4x Great Grandparents	64	54	84%
8	5x Great Grandparents	128	50	39%
9	6x Great Grandparents	256	36	14%
10	7x Great Grandparents	512	29	6%
	Total	1023	232	23%

However, it could use some work for those earlier generations!

Whether it is figuring out DNA matches or expanding my tree, I obviously have my work cut out for me.

Wish me luck inf finding those elusive Ancestors!

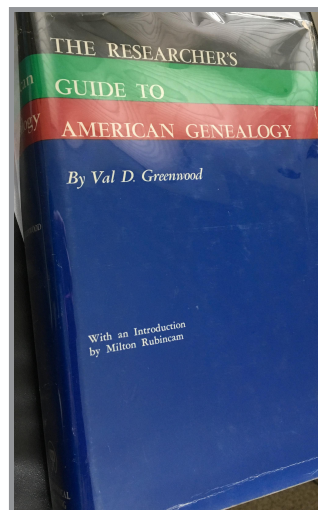
Firsts

Friday, January 04, 2019

We often tend to remember major ‘**firsts**’ in our lives: first date, first kiss, first car, first house, etc. Unfortunately, when it comes to genealogy, I don’t remember the first ancestor I researched. However, I do remember other genealogy ‘**firsts**’.

My start in family history research began with a discussion in my grandmother’s living room. She made the comment that she would like to know more about her grandmother, especially where she was buried.

I don’t remember much else from that initial visit. However, my memory says that after my visit with my grandmother in Dodge City, I traveled to Phillipsburg to visit my in-laws. During this visit, my mother-in-law became my **first** mentor. She explained how to create a pedigree chart and how to fill out a family group sheet.



I returned home with a pile of forms and a desire to learn more. At my mother-in-law’s suggestion, I purchased my **first** genealogy book: The Researcher’s Guide to American Genealogy by Val D. Greenwood.

In terms of other **firsts**, my memory is unclear. However, I do remember my grandmother taking me to the Heritage Center in Dodge City to do research on the family. I believe that was my first exposure to newspaper microfilm.

One first I do remember is my **first** trip to Crandall Cemetery, where my great grandfather is buried. According to my grandmother Briles, Crandall was a town in Coffey County. She said as you crossed the railroad tracks, there was a barn and the cemetery was ‘right there’. Unfortunately, the maps of the time did not include a town named Crandall. Thus, my husband and I went to the college and asked the geology professor if he knew how we could find Crandall Cemetery. He showed us topographic maps of the area and helped us figure out where the rural cemeteries were in the county. Armed with our new map, we took off to travel from one rural cemetery to another. We finally found the cemetery — just as my grandmother described!

What are your genealogy *firsts*?

Do you have a *first mentor*?

Do you still have your *first genealogy book* ?

Do you remember your *first trip* to a family cemetery?

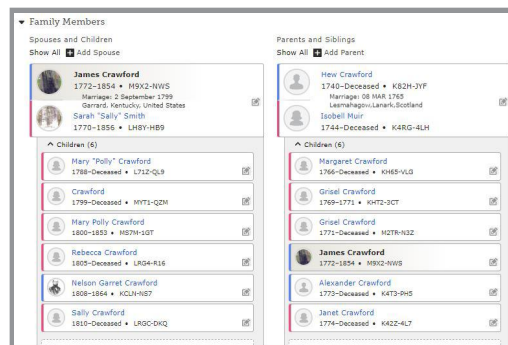
#52ancestors

Is It Fake News?

Sunday, January 06, 2019

Have you ever heard anything that sounded too good to be true? Have you ever believed something to only find out that Snopes.com says it is false? I know I have — both in my Facebook timeline and in my genealogy.

Thus, when I saw that there were parents for my ancestor, James Crawford on Family Search, I so wanted to jump up and down with joy. Not only are the parents identified, but so are the siblings.



This is fantastic news! However, the skeptic in me asked, *“Is this really true or is it just ‘Fake News’?”*

Thus, I started looking for the sources behind the relationship. The only source attached that supported the parent-child relationship was a christening record for James Crawford found in Scotland, Births and Baptisms, 1564-1950.



Scotland Births and Baptisms, 1564-1950 was used as the source for each of the children of Hew and Isobell (Muir) Crawford. I don't doubt that Hugh and Isobell had a son named James Crawford who was christened in 1768. *But is the James Crawford in this source, my James Crawford.*

When seeing this source, my first thought was that I have no evidence that my James Crawford was born in Scotland. Unfortunately, I don't have direct evidence saying he wasn't born in Scotland.

According to the 1850 census, my ancestor was 78 years old and born in Virginia. My ancestor, James Crawford, married Sally Duggins in 1799 in Garrard County, Kentucky. These two sources along with the history of other Crawford families in Lincoln, Madison and Garrard counties Kentucky prior to 1800 are the basis of my theory that my ancestor was born in Virginia and not in Scotland.

I also wondered whether there was DNA evidence to support Hugh Crawford as the father of James Crawford. Fortunately, I am managing some yDNA in the Crawford Family DNA Project. I didn't remember any close matches who had a Hugh Crawford line. When I checked our 'group', I didn't find any Hugh Crawfords in the group.

Crawford	James Crawford, b abt 1772, d. 1854
Crawford	Edward Crawford b. 1820
Crawford	
Crawford	Richard H. Crawford b. 1777 Barbados d. 1850 Curacao
Crawford	Robert Crawford II, b. 1752
Crawford	William Crawford b. c1754 and d. 1829
Crawford	William Nelson Crawford, b. 1829 OH and d. 1907 WA
L. (Crawford)	David Crawford, b. 1709 Scotland and d. 1785, MD
Avant	
Crawford	James Crawford of Ardmillan
Crawford	Edward Crawford, b. 1762 and d. 1826
Barton	
Crawford	Edward Crawford, b c1770 PA or VA, d. 17 Jun 1826

My Crawford line has been placed in the R1b-01B Ardmillan group. Most of the Hugh Crawford lines are in the R1b-13a Dal Riata group. Thus, the Crawford 'experts' don't believe my line is closely related to a Hugh Crawford line.

My list of yDNA matches does include someone whose line goes back to a Hugh Crawford. However, our genetic distance is EIGHT at 111 markers.

At this point, I don't believe the DNA evidence supports Hugh Crawford as the father of James Crawford.

Since Family Search contains a revision history, I followed the revisions and identified two researchers who seem to support Hugh Crawford as the father of James Crawford. I messaged each of them to see if they could shed further light on the family. I also messaged two descendants of James Crawford that have been researching the family longer than I have. I received a response from one of the 'Hugh Crawford' camp stating that the attached sources (i.e. the Christening record) were the support for Hugh Crawford being the father of James Crawford.

With the Christening record being the only support, I decided to evaluate that information against what I already knew about James Crawford (see James Crawford in my Ancestry tree for details). I have 1772 as the birth year for James Crawford. My source for that information is his tombstone found in the Eaton cemetery, Preble County, Ohio. Since the 1850 census indicates that James Crawford was 78 years old, this census record supports a birth year of 1772.

At this time, my conclusion is that James Crawford was born in 1772. Thus, he could not have been christened in 1768 in Scotland. Based on my conclusion, I changed his birthdate back to the 1772 date and removed the Scotland Baptism record from his list of sources.

Without the Scottish baptism record, there isn't any evidence that Hugh (or Hew) Crawford is the father of James Crawford of Preble County, Ohio. Since one of the other descendants is more knowledgeable of how to edit relationships on Family Search, I'm going to let her attack the parentage issue.

Thus, I am considering the news that Hugh Crawford is the father of James Crawford of Preble County, Ohio to be Fake News. Unfortunately, that means I am still looking for the parents of James Crawford.

Time for Saturday Night Genealogy Fun

Monday, January 07, 2019

Saturday Night

*Time for more **Genealogy Fun!***



Your mission, should you decide to accept it (cue the Mission Impossible! music) is to:

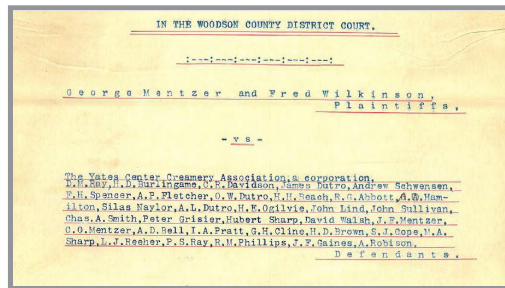
- 1) What was your best research achievement in 2018? Tell us – show us a document, or tell us a story, or display a photograph. Brag a bit! You've earned it!
- 2) We all have elusive ancestors. What research problem do you want to work on in 2019? Tell us where you want to research and what you hope to find.

Well, it is actually Sunday afternoon, but I thought I'd accept the challenge.

I think my best research achievement for 2018 would be finding evidence to support a story my grandmother Briles told me about her grandfather. According to my grandmother, her grandfather got involved in a creamery and 'lost his shirt'. I wrote about finding newspaper articles about a court case referred to as the creamery mess involving George Mentzer in my previous blog, Creamery Mess.

Upon further research, I found quite a few newspaper articles about the Yates Center Creamery. I also found two court transcripts related to the case. Those newspapers articles and the court transcripts were transcribed in my blog post, Creamery Mess Part 2.

Shortly after writing those blogs, I was able to make a research trip to Woodson County, Kansas. During that trip, I visited with the clerk of courts. It was from that visit that I obtained some of the court case file. I haven't transcribed the case file (yet), but I found it interesting that George Mentzer's sons, J. F. Mentzer and C. O. Mentzer were included in the list of defendants.



So what would I like to find in 2019? I'd love to break thru one of my brick walls. Since most of my brick walls involve dead ends in Kentucky, I need to learn more about early Kentucky records. Based on my current research, I believe a lot of those Kentucky lines go back to Virginia. Thus, I also need to learn more about Virginia records, especially the collections of the Virginia Historical Society.

While it sounds like I should be making a research trip to Kentucky or Virginia, I was thinking that I needed to go to the Wisconsin Historical Society to use the Draper Manuscript Collection. This collection of papers may hold the key to several of my Kentucky lines: Crawford, Currey, Thompson, Bland, or Burke. Thus, my immediate goal needs to be to not only learn more about this collection but to use any available finding aids in preparation for such a trip.

Looks like I have some prep work to do and travel plans to make! Where will your 2019 goals take you?

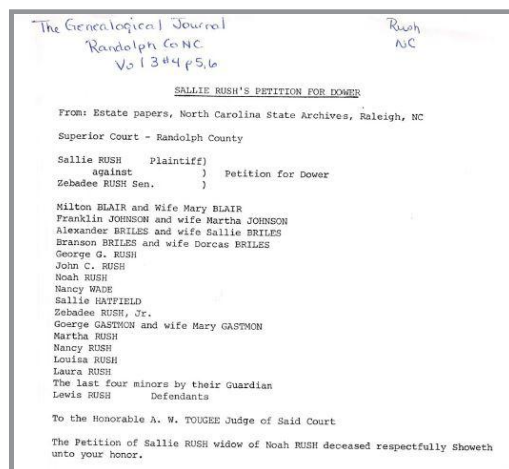
Identifying Parents

Tuesday, January 08, 2019

Have you had a set of parents for an ancestor in your tree for years when you discover another researcher has a different set of parents? I recently made that discovery for my ancestor Sarah Rush Briles (KP93-T9C) on Family Search.

Seeing this other set of parents made me question whether I had made a mistake. I knew that my old research included a transcription of a petition for dower that was printed in The Genealogical Journal of Randolph County, NC (Vol 3, #4, pages 5-6)

This transcript shows Sallie Rush as the plaintiff. Listed among the defendants is Alexander Briles and wife Sallie. The body of the petition identifies Sally Rush as the widow of Noah Rush deceased.



With the parentage of Sarah Rush Briles now in question and my documentation based on a transcript, I knew I had to either find the actual petition for dower or some other document to support my case. By searching Ancestry, I was able to locate the probate papers for Noah Rush in North Carolina, Wills and Probate Records, 1665-1998.

Towards the first of the packet is a petition to sell land. This petition names Alexander Briles and Sallie Briles his wife as one of the defendants. Later in the petition, it indicates that Alexander Briles and Sallie live in Kansas.

Rush, Noah Probate Papers

from North Carolina Wills and Probate Records, 1665-1998

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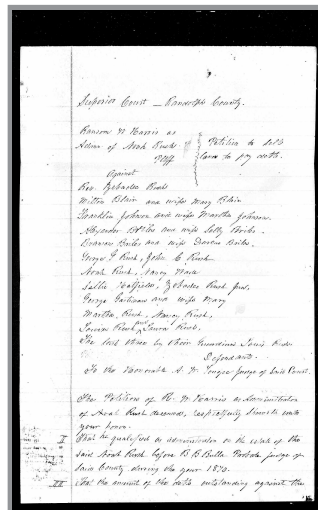
Superior Court ____ Randolph County

Ransom W Harris as

Admin of Noah Rush Pltff

against
Rev. Zebadee Rush
Milton Blair and wife Mary Blair
Franklin Johnson and wife Martha Johnson
Alexander Briles and wife Sally Briles
Branson Briles and wife Dorcus Briles
George G Rush, John C Rush
Noah Rush, Nancy Wade
Sallie Hatfield, Zebadee Rush Junr
George Gastinow and wife Mary
Martha Rush, Nancy Rush
Louix Rush and Laura Rush
The last three by their guardian Louis Rush
Defendants
To the honorable A. W. Lougee Judge of Said Court

I
That he qualified as administrator on the estate of the
said Noah Rush before B Bu Bulla Probate Judge of
said county during the year 1870
II
That the amount of the debts outstanding against the



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estate from the best information and knowledge which he has been enabled to obtain is about three hundred and fifty dollars, that the charges of administration will in his opinion amount to about two hundred and fifty dollars and there was [apeped] to be paid to the widow in cash towards her years support two hundred and fifty eight 30/100 dollars, making the entire liabilities of the estate from the foregoing sources about eight hundred and forty eight 30/100 dollars

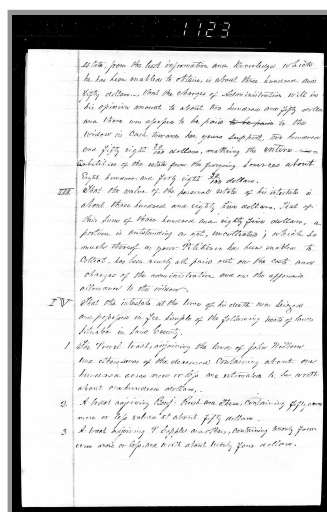
III

That the value of the personal estate of his intestate is about three hundred and eighty five dollars. that of this form of three hundred and eighty five dollars, a portion is outstanding as yet, uncollected; which wo much thereof as your Petitioner has been enabled to collect has been nearly all paid out on the costs and charges of the administration and on the afforesaid allowance to the widow.

IV

That the intestate at the time of his death was seized and possessed in fee simple of the following tracts of lands situate in said county

- 1 The Powel tract adjoining the lands of John Wilborn and others lands of the deceased containing about one hundred acres more or less and estimated to be worth about one hundred dollars
2. A tract adjoining Benj. Rush and others containing fifty acres more or less valued at about fifty dollars
3. A tract adjoining P. Copple and others containing twenty four acres more or less and worth about twenty four dollars.



Rush, Noah Probate Papers
from North Carolina Wills and Probate Records, 1665-1998

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4 A tract adjoining the lands of Robert Loftlin
and others containing fifteen acres more or less worth
about fifteen dollars

5 The home tract adjoining R W Harris and Lewis Johnson and others containing by
estimation three hundred acres.

V

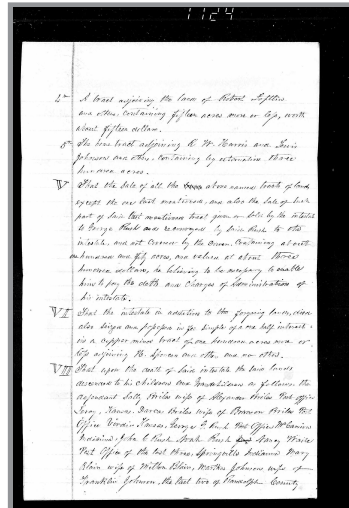
That the sale of all the above named tracts of land
except the one last mentioned, and also the sale of such
part of said last mentioned tract given or sold by the intestate
to George Rush and Reconveyed by said Rush to the
intestate and not covered by the dower. containing about
one hundred and fifty acres, and value at about three
hundred dollars, he believing to be necessary to enable
him to pay the debts and charges of Administration of
his intestate

VI

That the intestate in addition to the foregoing land, died
also seized and possessed in fee simple of one half interest
in a copper mine tract of one hundred acres more or
less adjoining N Spencer and others and no others.

VII

That upon the death of said intestate the said lands
descended to his children and grandchildren as follows the
defendant Sally Briles wife of Alexander Briles Post office
Leroy, Kansas, Darcas Briles wife of Branson Briles Post
Office Virdis Kansas George G Rush Post Office McCarion
Indiana, John C Rush, Noah Rush and Nancy Waid
post office of the last three Springville Indiana Mary
Blair wife of Milton Blair, Martha Johnson, wife of
Franklin Johnson, the last two of Randolph County



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North Carolina Rev. Zebadee Rush Post Office Nashville
 Nash County North Carolina. Sallie Hatfield, Zebadee
 Rush Junr Mary Gastinow wife of George Gastinow and
 Caroline Rush, the last four of Springville Indiana
 and the following minors to wit: Martha Rush aged
 20 years, Nancy Rush aged 18 years, Louis Rush aged
 12 years and Laura Rush aged 9 years [I] and said
 minors have for their guardian Louis Rush Post
 Office Springville Indiana

To the ones therefore that the said tract of lands with the
 exception herein before mentioned may be sold by your
 petitioner upon such terms as your honor
 may direct and that the process of sale may be
 considered assets in his hands for the payment of debts
 and charges of administration

Your petitioner brings

1st For and order for the sale of said lands for the purpose
 aforesaid

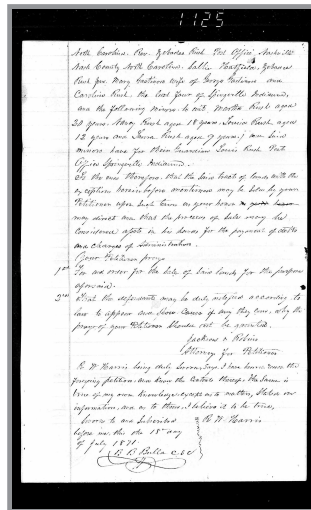
2nd That the defendants may be duly notified according to
 law to appear and show cause if any they can why the
 prayer of your petition should not be granted

Jackson & Robins

Attorneys for Petitioner

R w Harris being duly sworn says I have herewit [?] the
 foregoing petition, and know the contents thereof, the same is
 true of my own knowledge, except as to matters state on

information and or to their, I believe it is to be true
R W Harris
Sworn to and subscribed
before me the 18th day
of July 1871
B B Bulla CSC



I will continue to search for documentation tying Sarah Briles of Coffey County, Kansas to Sallie Rush of Randolph County, NC. However, at this time, I believe that Noah Rush of Randolph County, NC is the father of Sarah (Sallie) Rush Briles.

I would love to hear from you about my Rush/Briles research in Randolph County, North Carolina. I can be contacted at mcphilbrick at gmail.com.

Artie Ricketts

Wednesday, January 09, 2019

Frances Artlissa 'Artie' Ricketts was born on 7 Apr 1868 in Clinton, Indiana, United States. 1– 13

She lived in Sugar Creek Township, Clinton, Indiana, United States on 1 Jul 1870. 14 Artlissa Rickets was listed on the 1870 census in the household of James Rickets. According to the census, she was two years old. She lived in Everett Township, Woodson, Kansas, United States on 1 Jul 1880. 15 Frances A Ricketts was listed on the 1880 census as the daughter of James M Ricketts. According to the census, she was twelve years old. Frances lived in Everett Township, Woodson, Kansas, United States on 1 Mar 1885. 16 Artlissa Ricketts was listed in the household of James M Ricketts on the 1885 Kansas census. According to the census, Artlissa was 16 years old.



Edward Grant Briles and Frances Artlissa 'Artie' Ricketts were married on 19 Feb 1890 in Woodson, Kansas, United States. 2, 17– 23 She was also known as Frances Artlissa 'Artie' Briles.



She was the mother of Edward Osmond Briles. 4, 24– 36 Frances was the mother of Ethel Frances Briles. 25, 37– 40 She was the mother of Glen Briles. 25, 41– 43

She lived in Neosho Township, Coffey, Kansas, United States on 1 Jul 1895. 13

Frances was the mother of Lulu Belle Briles. 25, 44– 46

She lived in Pleasant Township, Coffey, Kansas, United States on 18 Jun 1900. 6 Francis A. Briles was listed on the 1900 census as the wife of Edward Briles. According to the census, she was born March 1869 in Indiana. Francis A Briles had been married 10 years. She was the mother of 4 living children.

She lived in Pleasant Township, Coffey, Kansas, United States in Apr 1905. 12 F.A. Briles was listed on the 1905 Kansas census in the household of E. G. Briles. According to the census, she was 37 years old.

Frances lived in Liberty Township, Woodson, Kansas, United States on 20 Apr 1910. 47 Francis A. Briles was listed on the 1910 census as the wife of Eddie G Briles. According to the census, she was 42 years old and born in Indiana. Francis was married at age 20 and was the mother of four living children.

She lived in Liberty Township, Woodson, Kansas, United States in Apr 1915. 48 She lived in Center Township, Woodson, Kansas, United States on 6 Jun 1920. 49 Frances Briles was shown on the 1920 census as the wife of Eddie G. Briles. According to the census she was 51 years old and born in Indiana.

Frances lived in Yates Center, Woodson, Kansas, United States on 28 Nov 1920. 50– 51 She lived at 612 N. Jefferson in Iola, Allen, Kansas, United States on 1 Jul 1925. 11 Frances A Briles was listed on the 1925 Kansas census as the wife of Edward G Briles. According to the census, she was 57 years old and born in Indiana.

She lived in Iola, Allen, Kansas, United States on 27 Jan 1927. 52

Frances lived at First Ward in Yates Center, Woodson, Kansas, United States on 2 Apr 1930. 53 F. A. Briles was listed on the 1930 census as the wife of E G Briles. According to the census, she was 61 years old and born in Indiana. She lived in Yates Center, Woodson, Kansas, United States on 19 Sep 1930. 54

She celebrated her 50th wedding anniversary with her husband, Edward Grant Briles, on 18 Feb 1940 in Yates Center, Woodson, Kansas, United States. 55

Frances lived in Yates Center, Woodson, Kansas, United States on 15 Apr 1940. 56 She appeared on the 1940 census as a 71 year old female born in Indiana and was listed as Frances A. Briles



She died on 28 Apr 1947 at the age of 79 in Yates Center, Woodson, Kansas, United States. 4, 7– 10, 57– 58 She was buried on 30 Apr 1947 at Crandall Cemetery in Coffey, Kansas, United States. 3, 7– 9, 59

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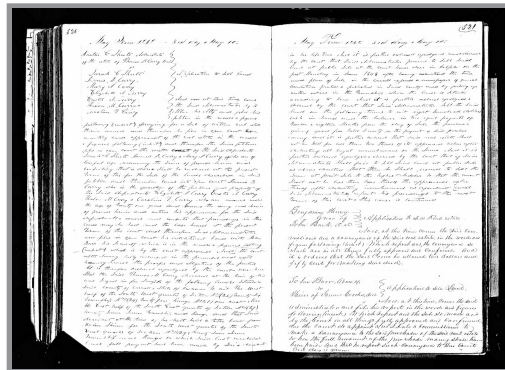
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Thomas Curry Estate

Thursday, January 10, 2019



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Carroll County, Indiana
Book 2 page 520

May Term 1848 — 3rd Day May 10

Austin C Sheets Administrator
of the estate of Thomas M. Curry deceased
vs

Sarah C Sheets
James B Curry
Mary I Curry
Elizabeth J Curry
Easter A Curry
Helen M Curry
Caroline T Curry

Application to sell land

And now at this time comes
the said Administrator by M
Allen his atty and files his
petition in the words & figures
following (insert) praying for a sale of certain real estate
therein named and there upon he files in open court an
inventory and appraisement of the real estate in the words
& figures following (insert) and thereupon the said petitioner
files in open court the written consent of the said defendants
Sarah C Sheets James B Curry Mary I Currey who are of
lawful age [manning] the service of process herein arise

consenting that a decree shall be [entered]at the present term of this for the sale of the lands described in said petition and thereupon comes into open court James B Curry who is the guardian of the persons and property of said defendants Elizabeth J Currey Easter A Curry Helen M Curry & Caroline T Curry who are minors under the age of twenty one years and [bears the using] and service of process herein and enters his appearance for the said defendants & minors and consents that proceedings in this cause may be had and the case heard at the present term of this court and thereupon said Administrator now files in open court his additional bond with John Barr his security which is in the words & figures following (insert) which is by the court approved and the court after being fully advised in the [promises use after] having heard the proof, and allegations of the parties It is therefore ordered adjudged by the court now here that the said Thomas M Curry deceased at the time of his was seized in fee simple of the following lands situate in said county of Carroll, State of Indiana to wit The west half of the south west quarter of Section No (26) twenty six Township No (24) twenty four Range No (1) one east Also the East half of the south east quarter of section no (27) twenty seven same township and range and that said decedent at the time of his death held a title bond from Martin Shinn for the south west quarter as the South East quarter of section No (27) twenty seven same Township and Range on which said last mentioned land full payment had been mad by said decendant

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in his lifetime that it is further ordered adjudged and decreed by the court that said Adminstrator proceed to sell said land at public sale at the court house door in Delphi on the first Monday in June 1848 after having [adm?t?d] the time and place of sale in Carroll express a newspaper of general circulation printed and published in said county and by putting up written notices in the Township where the land is situate according to law that it is further ordered adjudged & Decreed by the court that said Administrator sell the said land on the following terms to wit eight hundred dollars cash in hand and the balance in two equal payments twelve and eighteen months from the day of sale the purchaser giving good free hold security for the payment of said purchase money and it is further ordered that said real estate shall not be sold for less than two thirds of its appraised value after subtracting all loyal incumbrances on the same and it is further ordered ajudged decreed by the court that if said Administrator shall fail to sell said land at public sale as above directed that then he shall proceed to sell the same at private sale to the highest bidder so that the amount shall not be less than two thirds the appraised value

thereof after directing incumbrances as aforesaid [and
said Administrator as part his proceedings to the next
term of this court & this cause is continued.

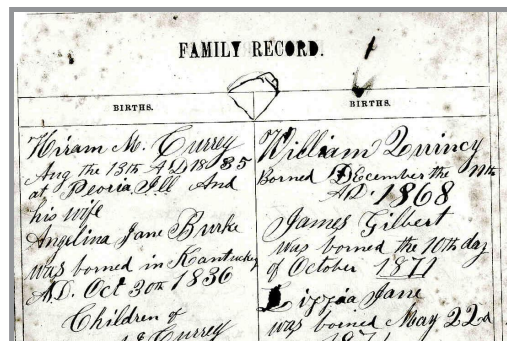
Ultimate Challenge

Friday, January 11, 2019

Have you ever found two men of the same name in the county records and tried to figure out which record is for which man. Most genealogists encounter this difficulty sometime in their research. I have several of those conflicts in my tree. However, my Hiram Currey same name challenge is an 'ultimate challenge'.

My great-grandfather, Hiram M. Currey (of Dodge City, Kansas) was the son of Hiram M Currey and Angelina Jane Burke of Leavenworth, Kansas. I believe this Hiram M. Currey was the son of Hiram M. Currey of Peoria, Illinois and the grandson of Hiram M. Currey of Champaign County, Ohio. Thus, I have a potential of four generations of Hiram M Currey's with very little direct evidence tying them together.

My research on this line began with Hiram M. Currey of Leavenworth. Hiram M. Currey married Angelina Burke in 1856 in Weston, Missouri. By 1860, they were living on the Kansas side of the border. Unfortunately, I haven't found any records in Platte County, Missouri or Leavenworth County, Kansas to directly tie Hiram Currey to his parents or siblings. The only information I have that might tie Hiram M. Currey of Leavenworth to parents is from the family Bible. According to the Bible, Hiram Currey was born in 1835 in Peoria, Illinois.



Armed with that one bit of information, I began my search with the census. I didn't find a 15 year old Hiram Currey in Peoria Illinois — nor any Currey family with a male around 15 in Peoria. I did find a Hiram Currey in the 1840 census in Peoria who had a male child under 5. Thinking this could be the father of Hiram Currey of Leavenworth, I started researching Hiram Currey of Peoria.

According to the Atlas of Peoria County, Illinois, Hiram Currey was a lawyer. The History of Peoria County indicates that Hiram Currey was a member of the Peoria Company during the Black Hawk War in 1832. There are several other mentions of Hiram Currey between 1825 and 1844 in Peoria County. Unfortunately, these histories do not contain a biography, nor do they help in identifying parents or siblings for Hiram Currey, the lawyer. So far, I haven't found any record that might indicate what happened to Hiram Currey after 1844.

I believe the Hiram Currey of Peoria is the same Hiram Currey that was admitted to the practice of law in Rush County, Indiana in 1822 (Illustrated Historical Atlas of the State of Indiana).

Caroline Kelso, whom I believe to be a sister to Hiram Currey of Leavenworth. I also have a match with a descendant of Hiram Currey of Ohio thru Hiram's daughter Jane Guttridge. These DNA matches are not enough to prove this lineage – but they do support it.

So my ultimate #52Ancestors challenge has been and continues to be collecting data to support (or disprove) a lineage of four Hiram M. Curreys:

- Hiram of Dodge City
- Hiram of Leavenworth
- Hiram of Peoria
- Hiram of Ohio

What's It Worth

Saturday, January 12, 2019

Have you ever watched a video of your local meteorologist giving a weather update? Or, have you watched a video of a news clip? What about a comedy monologue – have you ever watched any of those on YouTube? Or maybe, you've read a news article in your Facebook or Twitter feed? I know I have and I appreciate that I can.

Unfortunately, we have become accustomed to viewing and reading content for free when none of it is free to produce.

The same is true with local history and genealogy. We love locating free resources. But these free resources also have 'production' costs. My local historical society recently discussed whether to continue paying to have images and other information from their collection hosted online by Past Perfect.



As with most issues, there are pros and cons. In this case, the pro is the ability to connect with people outside of our hours, even outside of the county, while the con is the cost.

Unfortunately, the web presence is not generating much revenue, especially when compared to the cost. When the cost would cover about three months of electricity to keep the museum open, that is a difficult question.

Fortunately, my local society hasn't had to make that choice. However, other societies have had to make similar choices. Some are closed in the winter, while some are facing permanent closure. Even my state archives has reduced hours for the winter.

As long as we as a society expect free access, we will continue to see smaller organizations, archives and societies reducing their hours or closing their doors.

So, what can we do? I don't know about everyone else, but I wouldn't be able to afford supporting the historical society in every county where my ancestors have lived. However, I can support my local historical society and a genealogical society thru my membership. I can volunteer at my local historical society to assist with research requests.

Is preserving the history of your community important? Do your neighbors feel it is important? Perhaps if we all contributed a little, our history could be preserved in archives

and the doors of the archives and local museums could be open. Maybe we would even find those records showing up online.

Is It Worth It?

Family Photographer

Monday, January 14, 2019

Do you have a family member who seems to be the one person who is always behind the camera?

Growing up, that person was my grandmother. She had an 8mm camera and filmed almost every family event. Later, we would have a family 'movie' night to watch the new movies and re-watch the older ones.

Well, my grandmother died over twenty years ago and the 8mm camera is 'ancient' technology. However, my brother has taken over the position as 'family photographer'.

Not only does he set up the camera to capture our family group pictures but he captures ordinary moments. One of my favorite pictures is one he took during our family weekend at the lake of his wife and their grandchildren.



Even though, I never saw the camera, my brother and his wife captured moving my mother from Emporia to Kansas City – in the snow.

Arrival of the truck



Loading in the SNOW



The drive to Kansas City.

Note: Conditions deteriorated when we reached Johnson County.



Arrival in KC — The park next to Sunrise at Lenexa



Christmas lights aglow – Beauty in the SNOW



I am thankful that my brother an his wife have captured these moments!

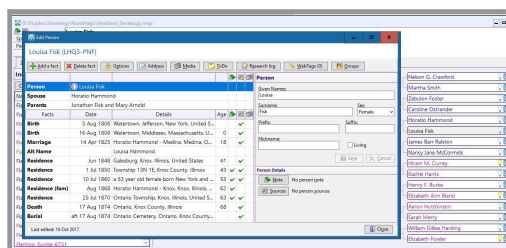
150 Years Ago

Tuesday, January 15, 2019



This weeks 'Saturday Night Genealogy Fun' challenge is to determine which ancestors were living 150 years ago (Jan 1869).

In order to figure this out, I had to look at the data I had for each likely ancestor. Working from the pedigree view in Roots Magic, I clicked on each potential ancestor to open their data.



With that information on one side, I then worked with a spreadsheet on the opposite side and entered their information.

6	2nd Great Christy	Rachel Elmeda	24	married	Clinton County	Indiana
7	2nd Great Mentzer	George	31	married	Henry County	Illinois
8	2nd Great Minnick	Emeline	21	married	Henry County	Illinois
9	2nd Great Wells	Thurston Kennedy	48	married	Van Buren County	Iowa
0	2nd Great Crandall	Salome Adell	33	married	Van Buren County	Iowa
1	3rd great	Crawford Nelson G		dead		
2	3rd great	Smith Martha	53	widowed	Warren County	Indiana
3	3rd great	Foster Zebulon	60	married	Warren County	Indiana
4	3rd great	Ostrander Caroline	55	married	Warren County	Indiana
5	3rd great	Hammonc Horatio	70	married	Knox County	Illinois
6	3rd great	Fisk Louisa	62	married	Knox County	Illinois

By using the spreadsheet, I was able to collect all of the information into one place. I tried to copy/paste the spreadsheet into my blog post but it reset the column widths making it difficult to read. So, I've resorted to screen shots of each generation.

Generation	Surname	First	Age	Marital Status	County	State
great	Crawford	Judson	3	single	Knox County	Indiana
great	Currey	Hiram Miles	3	single	Leavenworth County	Kansas
great	Ricketts	Frances Artlissa	1	single	Clinton County	Indiana

Generation	Surname	First	Age	Marital Status	County	State
2nd Great	Crawford	Washington Marion	31	married	Warren County	Indiana
2nd Great	Foster	Mary	27	married	Warren County	Indiana
2nd Great	Hammond	Richmond Fisk	28	married	Knox County	Illinois
2nd Great	Ralston	Sarah Ellen	19	married	Knox County	Illinois
2nd Great	Currey	Hiram M.	33	married	Leavenworth County	Kansas
2nd Great	Burke	Angelina	32	married	Leavenworth County	Kansas
2nd Great	Hutchinson	Albert	31	married	Bremer County	Iowa
2nd Great	Harding	Julia	29	married	Bremer County	Iowa
2nd Great	Briles	Noah Washington	29	married	Coffey County	Kansas
2nd Great	Thompson	Sarah Jane	25	married	Coffey County	Kansas
2nd Great	Ricketts	James Marshall	21	married	Clinton County	Indiana
2nd Great	Christy	Rachel Elmeda	24	married	Clinton County	Indiana
2nd Great	Mentzer	George	31	married	Henry County	Illinois
2nd Great	Minnick	Emeline	21	married	Henry County	Illinois
2nd Great	Wells	Thurston Kennedy	48	married	Van Buren County	Iowa
2nd Great	Crandall	Salome Adell	33	married	Van Buren County	Iowa

Generation	Surname	First	Age	Marital Status	County	State
3rd great	Smith	Martha	53	widowed	Warren County	Indiana
3rd great	Foster	Zebulon	60	married	Warren County	Indiana
3rd great	Ostrander	Caroline	55	married	Warren County	Indiana
3rd great	Hammond	Horatio	70	married	Knox County	Illinois
3rd great	Fisk	Louisa	62	married	Knox County	Illinois
3rd great	Ralston	James Barr	57	married	Grundy County	Iowa
3rd great	McCormick	Nancy Jane	50	married	Grundy County	Iowa
3rd great	Briles	Alexander	56	married	Coffey County	Kansas
3rd great	Rush	Warah	53	married	Coffey County	Kansas
3rd great	Thompson	William Taylor	48	married	Wapello County	Iowa
3rd great	Evans	Polly Ann	48	married	Wapello County	Iowa
3rd great	Ricketts	John Lewis	56	married	Clinton County	Indiana
3rd great	Reed	Orilda Matilda	41	married	Clinton County	Indiana
3rd great	Christy	Samuel	49	married	Tipton County	Indiana
3rd great	Minnick	John Lewis	47	married	Henry County	Illinois
3rd great	Kennedy	Mary	70	widowed	Calhoun County	Michigan

Generation	Surname	First	Age	Marital Status	County	State
4th great	Rush	Noah Washington	91	widowed	Randolph County	North Carolina
4th great	Iglehart	Sarah	69	widowed	Adams County	Iowa
4th great	Garret	Sarah	68	widowed	Warick County	Indiana

By having this information in a spreadsheet, I was able to sort it by location.

Generation	Surname	First	Age	Marital Status	County	State
2nd Great	Briles	Noah Washington	29	married	Coffey County	Kansas
2nd Great	Thompson	Sarah Jane	25	married	Coffey County	Kansas
3rd great	Briles	Alexander	56	married	Coffey County	Kansas
3rd great	Rush	Warah	53	married	Coffey County	Kansas
great	Currey	Hiram Miles	3	single	Leavenworth County	Kansas
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2nd Great	Burke	Angelina	32	married	Leavenworth County	Kansas

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4th great	Iglehart	Sarah	69	widowed	Adams County	Iowa
2nd Great	Hutchinson	Albert	31	married	Bremer County	Iowa
2nd Great	Harding	Julia	29	married	Bremer County	Iowa
3rd great	Ralston	James Barr	57	married	Grundy County	Iowa
3rd great	McCormick	Nancy Jane	50	married	Grundy County	Iowa
2nd Great	Wells	Thurston Kennedy	48	married	Van Buren County	Iowa
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3rd great	Minnick	John Lewis	47	married	Henry County	Illinois
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2nd Great	Ricketts	James Marshall	21	married	Clinton County	Indiana
2nd Great	Christy	Rachel Elmeda	24	married	Clinton County	Indiana
3rd great	Ricketts	John Lewis	56	married	Clinton County	Indiana
3rd great	Reed	Orilda Matilda	41	married	Clinton County	Indiana
great	Crawford	Judson	3	single	Knox County	Indiana
3rd great	Christy	Samuel	49	married	Tipton County	Indiana
2nd Great	Crawford	Washington Marion	31	married	Warren County	Indiana
2nd Great	Foster	Mary	27	married	Warren County	Indiana
3rd great	Smith	Martha	53	widowed	Warren County	Indiana
3rd great	Foster	Zebulon	60	married	Warren County	Indiana
3rd great	Ostrander	Caroline	55	married	Warren County	Indiana
4th great	Garret	Sarah	68	widowed	Warick County	Indiana

Generation	Surname	First	Age	Marital Status	County	State
3rd great	Kennedy	Mary	70	widowed	Calhoun County	Michigan
4th great	Rush	Noah Washington	91	widowed	Randolph County	North Carolina

The second part of the challenge asked whether I have a picture of their residence in 1869. Unfortunately, the answer to that question is mostly NO. However, I do have a picture of the Briles residence in Coffey County, Kansas.



This home was built on the original homestead. The land has been passed down thru the generations and is still owned by members of the BRILES family.

This was an interesting way to look at my data. Thank you Randy Seaver at Genea-Musings for this challenge!

Pauline E. Briles

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Pauline E. Briles

Funeral services for Mrs. E. O. Briles, who died Tuesday at her apartment in Horizon Plaza, will be held in the chapel of Roberts-Blue-Barnett Funeral Home. Services will be Friday at 10:30 A.M. conducted by the Rev. William Imhoff of the Christian Church. Burial will be in Memorial Lawn Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to the First Christian Church, to which Mrs. Briles belonged, and may be sent in care of the funeral home.

Pauline Edith Mentzer was born March 28, 1896 at Yates Center, the daughter of Charles O. and Nettie Wells Mentzer. She married E. O. Briles on Oct. 29, 1915, at Yates Center, and he died May 28, 1956. Mrs. Briles had lived in

Emporia since 1930.

She is survived by two daughters, Roberta Crawford, 2314 West 21st Ave., and Letha Doolittle of San Bernadino, Calif.; a brother Leslie Mentzer of Neosho Falls, and 12 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Briles was a member of the Whittier Extension Home Unite and the Birthday Club.

She was preceded in death by a daughter, Barbara Thompson; two sons, Walter Briles and Kenneth Briles; her parents and several brothers and sisters.

Research Logs

Thursday, January 17, 2019

Do you have one task that 'genealogy experts' recommend that you just don't seem to be able to tackle? For me, that tends to be a research log.

Even though I have a 'research log' from my early days of research, I haven't been consistent with keeping that log — especially with Internet searching. And, I really could use a comprehensive research log now!

I have the opportunity to apply for a 'brick wall' consultation at the upcoming Topeka Genealogical Society conference in April. As part of that application, I need to submit a list of sources already checked. With forty years of research and a lot of same name issues, I could really use a complete research log!

For this application, I am going to submit James Crawford (1772-1854) of Preble County, Ohio as my brick wall ancestor. James married Sally Duggins in 1799 in Garrard County, Kentucky before migrating to Ohio by the early 1800s. The research question I would like assistance with is “ *Who is James Crawford's father?* ”

Seems simple enough, right. Unfortunately, there are a lot of same name issues with researching this ancestor.

1. Next door neighbor in Preble County, Ohio was James Crawford (1770-1833) who married Martha Knight in 1793 in Lincoln County, KY. This James Crawford migrated from Preble County, OH to Warren County, IN where he died. Also migrating to Warren County, IN from Preble County, OH at about the same time was Nelson G. Crawford, the son of James and Sally (Smith Duggins) Crawford.
 2. There is a third James Crawford (1758-1836) living in Madison and Garrard counties in Kentucky prior to 1800. This James Crawford was married to Rebecca Anderson and migrated to Jennings County, IN and then to Jefferson County, IN.
 3. Garrard County KY histories refer to a Rev. James Crawford. There was a Rev. James Crawford (1752/3 – 1803) at Walnut Hill Presbyterian Church in Fayette County, KY. Rev. James Crawford was married to Rebecca McPheeters.
 4. DAR applications by descendants of James Crawford and Rebecca Anderson appear to have records mixed up with a James Crawford (1757-1836) who resided in Fleming County, KY. This James Crawford was married to Sarah Vansant.
- So, I not only need to identify sources I've checked for James and Sally (Duggins) Crawford, but also sources I've checked for all of these other James Crawfords.

To start re-creating such a research log, I used RootsMagic to print an individual summary report, complete with bibliography for each of these James Crawfords. I then copied the bibliography entries into Notepad where I could remove the leading punctuation and clean up any other errors.

Bibliography	9 January 2019
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.Letter from Kentucky, to .	
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. <i>A History of Warren County, Indiana</i> . Williamsport, IN: Warren County Historical Society, 1966).	
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. <i>Pioneer Ancestors of Members of the Society of Indiana Pioneers</i> . Indianapolis, IN: Indiana Historical Society, 1983.	
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From Notepad, I copied the entries into Excel. Since there were blank lines between each bibliography entry, those blank lines copied over to Excel. To eliminate the blank lines, I sorted by the bibliography column. This pushed all of the blank lines to the bottom of the list.

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Unfortunately, that only gets sources that I've cited in RootsMagic. I had drawers full of research that would need to be added to this list of sources used. Fortunately, I have scanned most of that research. Unfortunately, I named the scanned files with the Dollarhide code I used to file the paperwork.



Since the code was part of my citations in Master Genealogist, I can find the paperwork when working from a source in my program. However, these file names don't tell me where I got the information in each of those files. When I open the file, it is usually a handwritten document (remember my research is up to 40 years old).

Crawford-KY-045

SEARCH SHEET					
Source <u>Early KY householders 1787-1811</u>			Depository <u>NGS</u>		
Surnames <u>Crawford</u>			Date searched <u>2/23/02</u>		
			Book	Pg	Tab/Box
Crawford	Alexander	15 Nov 88	1	3	1
Crawford	Charles	4 Jul 88	2	5	1
Crawford	"	27 Jun 89	1	8	1
Crawford	James	3 June 90	2	2	1
Crawford	"	19 Sep 91	2	2	1

Unfortunately, I don't have a full citation on these old notes. However, I usually have a fairly accurate title. When I started working my way thru my Ohio notes, I was just Googling the title. Part way thru, I realized that I could probably find the information faster using WorldCat.



In some cases, I didn't have enough of the title to find it via WorldCat. In those situations, I used the FamilySearch catalog and searched for the place associated with the resource. Then I drilled down to the type of information (history, tax, deeds, probate, etc.).

United States, Kentucky - Statistics (1)	
United States, Kentucky - Taxation (27)	
The 1787 census of Virginia : an accounting of the name of every white male titthable over 21 years, the number of white males between 16 & 21 years, the number of slaves over 16 & those under 16 years, together with a listing of their horses, cattle & carriages, and also the names of all persons to whom ordinary licenses and physician's licenses were issued	Add
Author: Schreiner-Vandis, Nettie, 1930-; Love, Florene Speakman, 1938-	
The 1795 census of Kentucky	Add
Author: T.L.C. Genealogy (Miami Beach, Florida)	
1865 Income tax lists : Adair, Allen, Barren, Cumberland, Green, Hart, Logan, Metcalfe, Monroe and Warren Counties	Add
Author: Gorin, Sandra K. (Sandra Kaye Laughery)	
Colonial Virginia source records, 1600s-1700s	Add
Early Hardin County, Kentucky census and tax lists, 1793-1836	Add
Author: Wimp, Carolyn; Sabetti, Mary L.; Nacke, Judy Pierce	
Early Kentucky householders, 1787-1811	Add
Author: Sutherland, James Franklin	

So far, I've been able to find the bibliographic information thru either WorldCat or FamilySearch. This bibliography information was added to my Excel spreadsheet along with the filing code.

oh.049	Short, Anita and Mrs Dale Bowers. Preble County Ohio Marriage Records. Baltimore, MD: Genealogical Publishing Col., 1967
oh.050	Early Ohio Settlers: Purchasers of Lnad in SW Ohio, 1800-1840. Genealogical Publishing Company, 1986.
oh.051	History of Preble County Ohio - war of 1812
oh.052	"Early Settlers and Revolutionary Soldiers of Preble County Ohio" DAR Magazine Sept 1935. Vol. 69 #9 p568-571

In the process, I also took the opportunity to change the file name so that it included an abbreviated version of the title of the resource.

Crawford-OH-001-Text.Marked-EarlyOHSettlers
Crawford-OH-002-OH-Preble-Marriages
Crawford-OH-003-OH-MiamiVallyWillAbstracts
Crawford-OH-004-History-PrebleCountyOH
Crawford-OH-005-Index-TaxLists1800-1810
Crawford-OH-006-GenlIndex-PioneersMiamiValleyOhio
Crawford-OH-007-FedLandSeries-1788-1810
crawford-OH-008-PrebleOH-CommonPleasCourt

In some cases, these files were actual copies of records. In those cases, I changed the file name to indicate the type and source of the record.

Crawford-OH-033-Preble-Deed-Bk2-p17
Crawford-OH-034-Preble-Deed-Bk2-p180
Crawford-OH-035-Preble-Deed-V10-p282-WCrawford
Crawford-OH-036-Preble-Deed-V10-p282-JCrawford
Crawford-OH-037-Preble-Deed-V10-p280-WCrawford
Crawford-OH-038-Preble-Deed-V5-p98-Sellers-Crawford
Crawford-OH-039-PReble-Deed-V5-P97-Crawford-Sellers
Crawford-OH-040-Preble-Deed-V5-p85-MarthaCrawford-Sellers
Crawford-OH-041-Preble-Deed-V2-p199-JamesCrawford-Patent

Yesterday, I managed to make it thru the process of identifying and renaming my Ohio files for Crawford. However, I still need to do my Kentucky files and my Virginia files. Since I have done some FAN club research, I should also add the files for Duggins and Sellers along with the bibliographies for the females appearing on the early Kentucky tax lists: Rebecca Crawford and Mary Crawford.

Lesson learned:

Use better file names

Keep a research log!

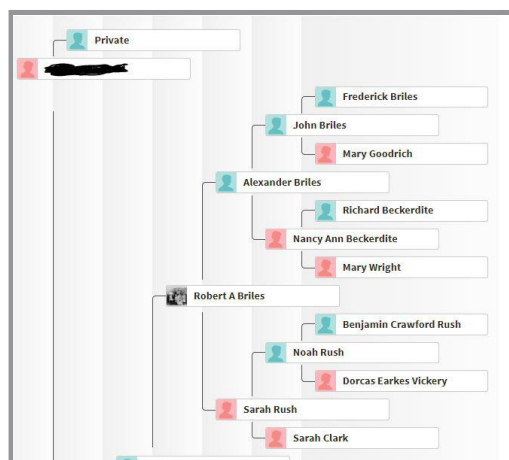
Indexing and DNA

Friday, January 18, 2019

Over the past year, I've blogged several times about issues regarding the indexing of my Ancestry tree. That is just one of several Ancestry issues discussed by Randy Seaver in his blog post, [Dear Ancestry.com: Are You Fixing These Problems?](#)

In addition to the problems mentioned in his blog post, I have been encountering an issue with my DNA matches that I believe is related to the tree indexing issues.

I have known cousins who have an Ancestry tree and appear on my DNA match list. When I look at their match in my list, I do not see a shaky leaf. When I view our match, it shows the tree for this cousin.

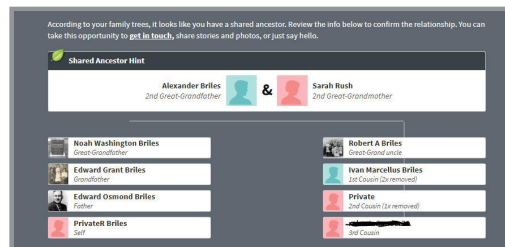


This cousin descends from Alexander Briles and Sarah Rush, thru their son Robert A Briles. I descend from Alexander Briles and Sarah Rush thru their son Noah Briles.



One might argue that our two trees must have a difference since Ancestry isn't matching up our common ancestor. However, I manage my mother's DNA test. When I look at the

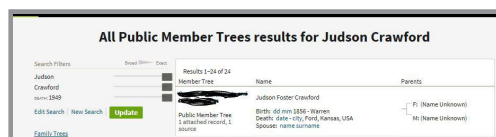
match for my mother, the trees are matched up.



I have reported this issue to Ancestry twice. The first time was with a different cousin and somehow now displays the comparison of our trees. The second time, I reported this match and it still isn't displaying correctly. Since I have a large tree and a large number of DNA matches, I have no idea how many 4th or distant cousins aren't showing up as having 'hints'.

Note: I just tried searching for my tree and the expected 24 trees are back — but my tree is now missing from the results. I tried the following search on my account and on a free account.

This search results in 24 trees — all containing my great-grandfather, Judson Foster Crawford. Missing from the list is my Heartland Genealogy tree.



I have worked hard over the past year to accept Ancestry hints so my tree would be indexed. I currently have 7,074 records attached to individuals in my Ancestry tree.

Summary	
 People	12609
 Photos	5913
 Stories	1488
 Records	7074
 Audio	0
 Videos	0

I use RootsMagic's TreeShare to upload data from my database to Ancestry. I currently have 50,832 citations attached to individuals in my RootsMagic database. Those citations are copied to Ancestry and appear as 'Other' sources.

People	12973
Families	4338
Events	36455
Alternate names	2584
Places	3757
Sources	3703
Citations	50832

Thus, it looks like the indexing of the trees is broken again.

So, I join with Randy Seaver in asking Ancestry.com: When are you fixing these issues?

James Crawford of Preble County

Saturday, January 19, 2019

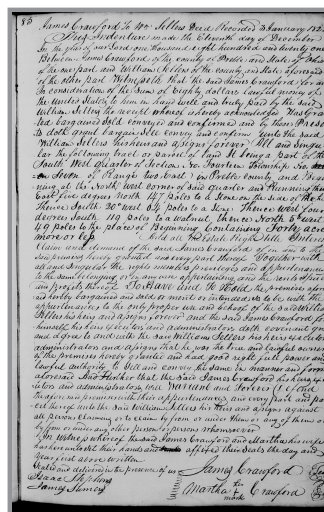
One of my brick walls is also one of my same name challenges. In her Jan. 16, 2019 podcast, Can You Identify Your Ancestor, Amy Johnson Crowe talks about finding information to make sure one is tracking the right person.

I've used most of her tips in my research, but I have one case where almost all of the details are the same.

James Crawford James Crawford Birth 1770 1772 Residence 1820 Preble County OH Preble County OH Marriage Year 1793 1799 Marriage Place Lincoln County KY Garrard County KY Occupation Farmer Farmer Wife's name Martha Sally

The easiest way for me to distinguish these two men (and several other James Crawford) is by their wife's name. Since the wife's name often appears on a deed where land has been sold, I have used land records to help separate these two families.

In 1821, these two James Crawford both sold land to William Sellers. *The two pieces of land were in the same section, township and range in Ohio.*



Preble, Ohio. Deeds, 1819-1824. Preble County Recorder of Deeds, Eaton, OH. digital images. *Family Search*.

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James Crawford to Wm Sellers Deed Recorded 3 January 1822
This Indenture made the **Eleventh day of December**
in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty one
Betewen James Crawford of the county of Preble and State of Ohio
of the one part and William Sellers of the county and state aforesaid
of the other part witnesseth that the said James Crawford for an
in consideration of the sum of **eighty dollars** lawful money of

the Untied States to him in hand well and truly paid by the said William Sellers the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged has granted bargained sold conveyed and confirmed and by these presents doth grant bargain sell convey and confirm unto the said William Sellers his heirs and assigns forever all and singular the following tract or parcel of land It being a part of the **South West quarter of section No. fourteen Township No. Seven of Range two East in Preble County** and Beginning at the North west corner of said quarter and running thence East five degrees north 147 poles to a stone on the side of the hill thence South 20 degrees west 64 poles to a stone thence west four degrees South 119 poles to a walnut thence north 5 degrees west 49 poles to the place of beginning containing forty acres more or less And all the estate right title interest claim and demand of the said James Crawford of in and to the said premises hereby granted and every part thereof together with all and singular the rights members privileges and appurtenances to the same belonging or in any wise appertaining and the rents issue and profits thereof to Have and to hold the premises aforesaid hereby bargained and sold or ment or intended so to be with the appurtenances to the only proper use and behoof of the said William Sellers his heirs and assigns forever and the said James Crawford for himself his heirs executors and administrators doth covenant grant and agree to and with the said William Sellers his heirs executors administrators and assigns that he was the true and lawful owner of the premises hereby granted and had good right full power and lawful authority to sell and convey the same in manner and form aforesaid and further that the said James Crawford his heirs executors and administrators will warrant and forever defend the aforesaid premises with their appurtenances and every part and parcel thereof unto the said William Sellers his heirs and assigns against all persons claiming or to claim by from or under them or any of them or by from or under any other person or persons whomsoever. In witness whereof the said James Crawford and Martha his wife has here unto set their hands and affixed their seals the day and year first above written.

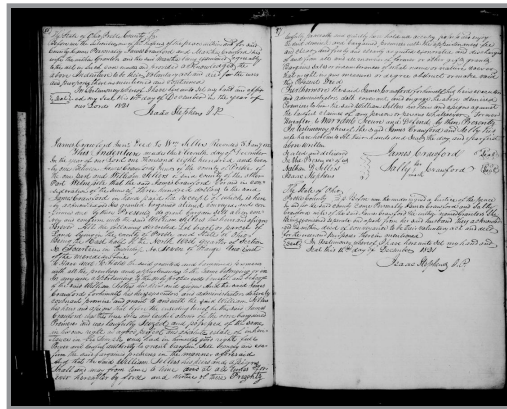
James Crawford

Martha Crawford (her mark)

Sealed and delivered in the presence of us

Isaac Stephens

James Sumers



Preble, Ohio. Deeds, 1819-1824. Preble County Recorder of Deeds, Eaton, OH. digital images. *Family Search*.

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James Crawford Junr Deed to Wm Sellers recorded 3 Jan 1822

This indenture made the **eleventh day of December**
in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twen
ty one between James Crawford Junr of the county of Preble of
the one part and William Sellers of said county of the other
part witnesseth that the said James Crawford for and in cons
sideration of the sum of **three hundred dollars** to the said
James Crawford in hand paid the receipt of which is here
by acknowledge has granted bargained aliened conveyed and con
firmed and by these presents do grant bargain sell alien con
vey and confirm unto the said William Sellers his heirs and assigns
forever all the following described lot tract or parcel of
land **lying in the county of Preble and State of Ohio**
being the East half of the NorthWest quarter of section
No 14 in township no seven of range two east
of the meridian line

To have and to hold the said granted and bargained premeses
with all the privileges and appurtenance to the same belonging or in
in any wise appertaining to the only proper use benefit and behoof
of the said William Sellers his heirs and assigns and the said James
Crawford for himself his heirs executors and administrators do hereby
covenant promise and grant to and with the said William Sellers his heirs and assigns
that before the unsealing hereof he the said James
Crawford was the true sold and lawful owner of the above bargained
premeses and was lawfully seized and possessed of the same
in his own right as a good perfect and absolute estate of inheri
tance in fee simple and had in himself good right full
power and lawful authority to grant bargain sell convey and con
firm the said bargained premeses in the manner aforesaid
And that the said William Sellers his heirs and assigns
shall and may from time to time and at all times for
ever hereafter by force and virtue of these presents

lawfully peaceable and quietly have hold use occupy possess and enjoy
the said demised and bargained premees with the appurtenances fee
and clear and freely and clearly acquitted exonerated and discharged
of and from all and all manner of former or other gifts grants
bargains sales or incumberances of what name or nature soever
that might in any measure or degree obstruct or make void
this present deed

Furthermore the said James Crawford for himself his heirs executors
and administrators doth covenant and engage the above demised
premises to him the said William Sellers his heirs and assigns against
the lawful claims of any person or persons whatsoever. Forever
hereafter to warrant secure and defend by these presents
In testimony whereof the said James Crawford and Sally his
wife have hereunto set their hands and seal the day and year first above written.

Sealed and delivered in the presence of us
Nathan D Sellers
Isaac Stephens

Signed by
James Crawford (Seal)
Sally (her mark) Crawford (seal)

The State of Ohio Preble County
Before me the undersigned a justice of the peace
in and for the said county came personally James Crawford and Sally
Crawford wife of the said James Craford the within named grantors she
being examined separate and apart from her said husband they acknoled
ged the within deed of conveyance to be their voluntary act and deed
for the uses and purposes therein mentioned.
In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and
seal this 11th day of December 1821
Isaac Stephens, J.P.

As I'm preparing my application for a brick wall consultation, I am also going back thru all
of the data I've collected. It is my hope to find pieces of information that will help me
locate more records on these two men and their families.

Facebook Group Changes

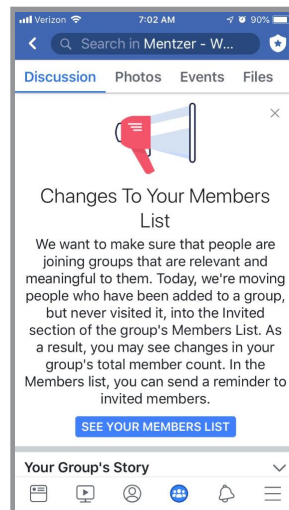
Sunday, January 20, 2019

Do you belong to a Facebook group? Perhaps you've seen a post (or two or more) about getting 'removed' from the group if you don't participate? I started seeing these posts yesterday and was concerned, not only about all the genealogy groups I belong to, but also about the family groups I administer.

Since I was unsure what this meant as a group administrator, I did some research. The following articles helped me understand what is happening.

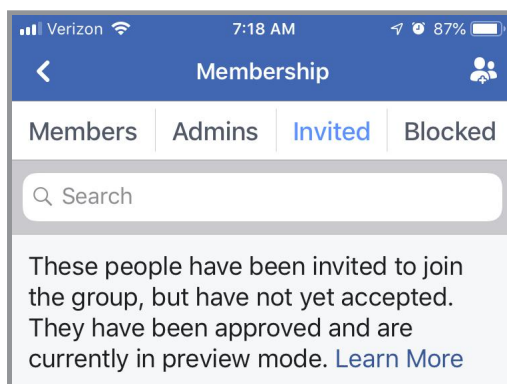
- Is Facebook Removing Inactive Members from Groups
- Facebook Updates Group Invites, Removing Ability to Automatically Add Members

I then turned to Facebook to see if I could figure out how this is affecting the family groups I administer. The first thing I saw when I went to one of those groups was an announcement from Facebook, "Changes to Your Members List."



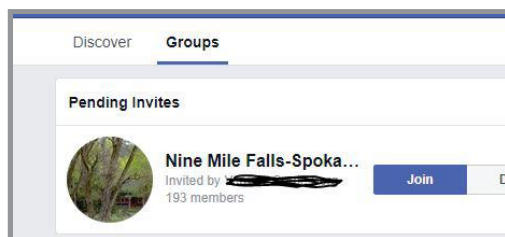
Curious as to how this is working with one of my family groups, using my phone, I clicked on the number of members in the group. This took me to an 'About' screen with the members at the bottom of the screen.

At the bottom of the screen, there was a 'SEE ALL' prompt. When I clicked that, it took me to a full list of the members. One of the tabs across the top is for 'INVITED' members.



When I clicked on INVITED, I discovered four people on the list. According to the instructions, I should send them a message re-inviting them to the group. If they don't accept the invitation, then they will eventually be removed from my list.

Since this is all new to me, I wondered how someone 'accepts the invitation'. Unfortunately, I couldn't figure this out from my phone. However, it was obvious from my computer. When I clicked on GROUPS on the left side of my home screen, PENDING INVITES appeared at the top of my list of groups. This PENDING INVITE included the option to JOIN or to DECLINE.



For now, I think I have this change in FB groups figured out. Hopefully, FB will continue to allow 'consumers' of information from FB groups and not require every member to be a 'producer' of content (either thru posting or commenting).

Photo Lineage

Monday, January 21, 2019

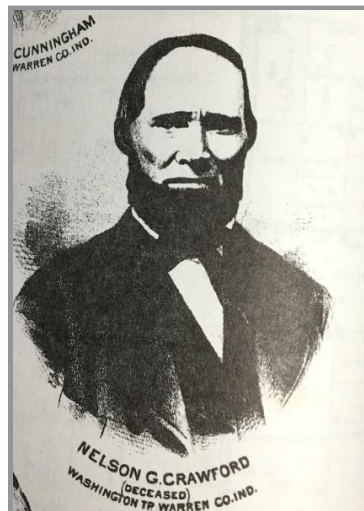


This week's #SaturdayNightGenealogyFun Challenge involves family photos.

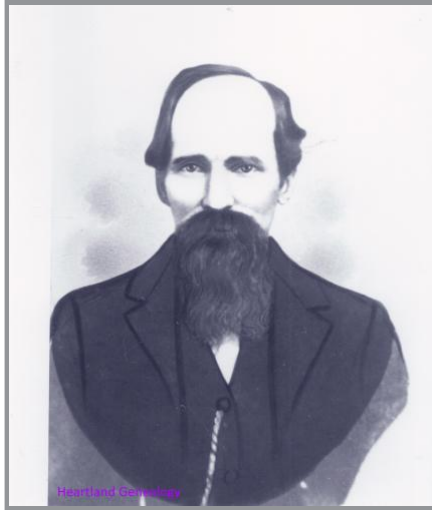
How many generations do you have photographs or portraits of your ancestors and descendants? It can be any line...it just can't be broken!

When thinking about this, I realized that I have several generations of photos on my Crawford line.

Nelson G. Crawford (1808-1864)



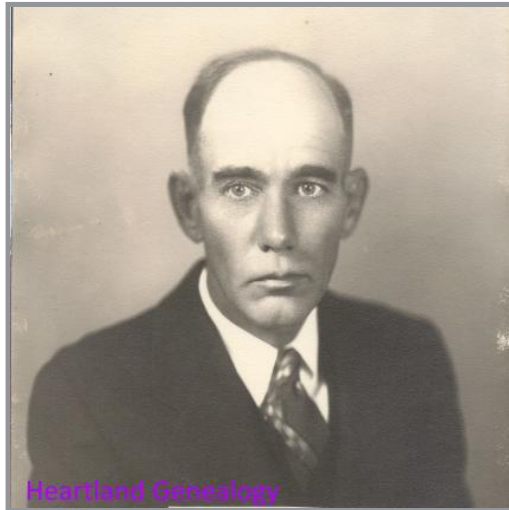
Washington Marion Crawford (1838-1889)



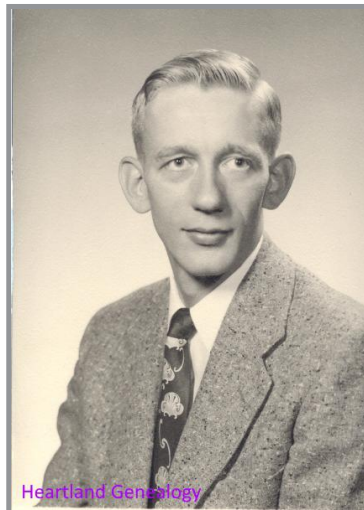
Judson Foster Crawford (1866-1949)



Leon Russel Crawford (1894-1976)



Eugene David Crawford (1927-2006)



David Crawford



Mathew Crawford



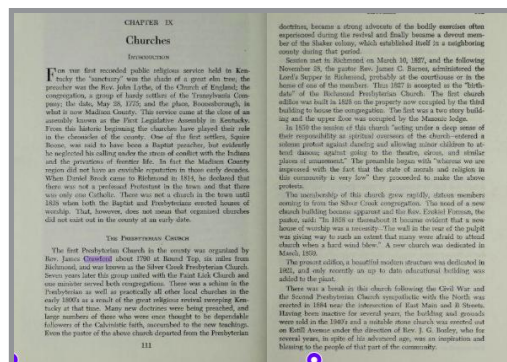
That's seven generations of Crawford line photos.

Little Clues

Tuesday, January 22, 2019

Do you ever go back to a source you've likely used before and discover a very tiny tidbit of information that changes one of your assumptions about an ancestor. Well, I did last night. I was browsing the Internet for Madison County, Kentucky resources while watching the webinar, Trails of Daniel Boone and Other Western Travelers by J. Mark Lowe.

I came across the book, Glimpses of Historic Madison County, Kentucky on Internet Archive. When I searched the contents of the book for Crawford, I found a paragraph about Rev. James Crawford.



The Presbyterian Church

The first Presbyterian Church in the county was organized by **Rev. James Crawford** about 1790 at **Round Top**, six miles from Richmond, and was known as the **Silver Creek Presbyterian Church**. Seven years later this group united with the **Paint Lick Church** and one minister served both congregations. There was a schism in the Presbyterian as well as practically all other local churches in the early 1800's as a result of the great religious revival sweeping Kentucky at that time. Many new doctrines were being preached, and large numbers of those who were once thought to be dependable followers of the Calvinistic faith, succumbed to the new teachings.

Even the pastor of the above church departed from the Presbyterian doctrines, became a strong advocate of the bodily exercises often experienced during the revival and finally became a devout member of the Shaker colony, which established itself in a neighboring county during that period.

At this time, I don't know which James Crawford in the Lincoln-Madison-Garrard area of Kentucky in the 1790s this is referring to. However, this short piece contains several hints that may prove useful.

- This isn't referring to the Rev. James Crawford of the Lexington area since he didn't leave the Presbyterian church.
- About 1790, Rev. James Crawford served at Silver Creek Presbyterian Church at Round Top in Madison County, KY

- About 1797, Rev. James Crawford also served the Paint Lick Church in Garrard County, KY
- Sometime after 1800, Rev. James Crawford left the Presbyterian church and joined a Shaker colony [in a neighboring county]

So, could this Rev. James Crawford be one of the James Crawfords I have been researching? Yes, but it could also be another James Crawford. I will have to follow up on these clues to try and figure out who he is.

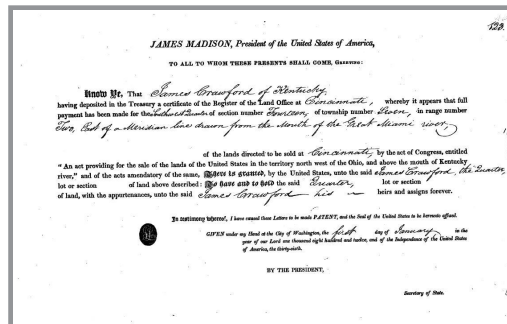
Tennants in Common

Wednesday, January 23, 2019

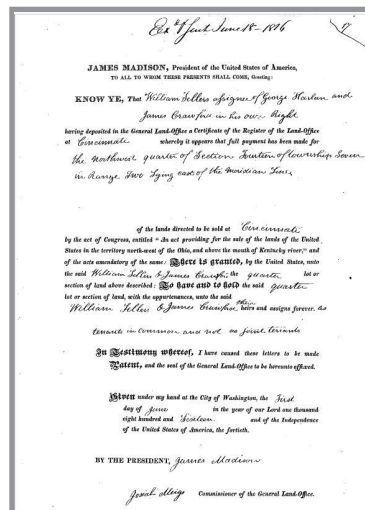
I'm trying to use deeds to help separate information for two James Crawfords who resided in Preble County Ohio at the same time. They both owned parts of section 14, Township 7 North, Range 2 East.

As discussed in my post, James Crawford of Preble County, I use the selling of the land to figure out which James Crawford owned the land. I also use their wife's name to help me keep them straight. James and Sally are my ancestors while James and Martha may or may not be related.

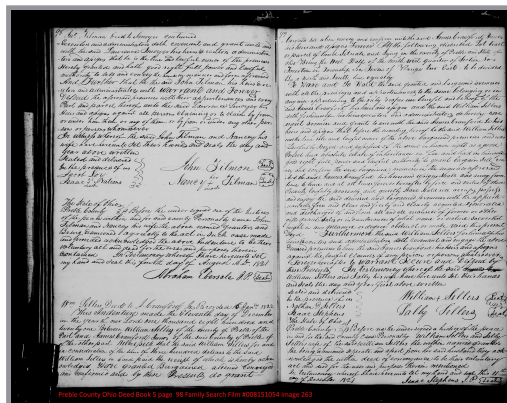
James (Martha) Crawford filed a patent for the Southwest quarter of section 14 township 7 North, range 2 East in 1812.



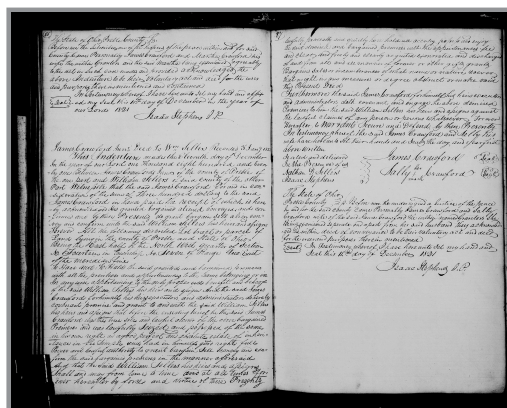
Four years later, my ancestor, James Crawford along with William Sellers, husband of Sarah Crawford filed a patent as 'tenants in common' for the northwest quarter of section 14 township 7 North range 2 East.



After looking at an article about Tenancy in Common, I now understand the exchange of land between James Crawford and William Sellers in 1821. Basically, James purchases the West half of the quarter from William Sellers

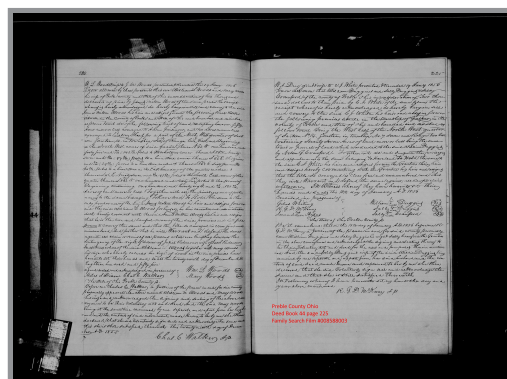


and sells the East half of the quarter to William Sellers.



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The final land transaction involving James Crawford's land is after his death. His stepson, William Duggins, and his widow, Sally Crawford, sell the land. Within the deed is a statement that the land was transferred to William Duggins by Nelson Crawford, James' son and heir.



The purchase of the land as 'tenants in common' by William Sellers and James Crawford adjoining land purchased by another James Crawford just makes everything more confusing. William Sellers wife, Sarah Crawford, is believed to be the sister of the James

Crawford (b1770) who married Martha Knight. If that is the case, then why is William Sellers essentially sharing land with the James Crawford (b1772) that married Sally Duggins?

Perspective

Thursday, January 24, 2019

Does your genealogy have a brick wall FAN club that involves several branches of the surname along with lots of same name issues? Well, the parents of my ancestor, James Crawford (1772-1854) has such a FAN club.

While working with some other researchers from the FAN club, but unfortunately not my line, I created a 'traditional' time line outlining the information I had on the individuals in the FAN club.

Branch	Order	Date	Event	Chaper	Middle	Surname	township/city	County	State	Country
Sellers		1	1750	1750		Michael				
McHeater	1	1761	1761	John		Crawford				
Sellers	2	16 Sep 1763	1763	Birth	John	Sellers		Cumberland	Pennsylvania	
McHeater	2	Abt 1764	1764	Birth	William	Crawford				
McHeater	3	Abt 1765	1765	Birth	Patrick	Crawford				
Sellers	3	Abt 1766	1766	Birth	Isaac	Sellers		Augusta County	Virginia	
McHeater	4	1750	1750	Death	James	Crawford		Middle River	Augusta County	Virginia
McHeater	5	10 May 1750	1750	Death	Martha	Crawford				
McHeater	6	18 Oct 1751	1751	Death	Elizabeth	Crawford				

This timeline included all of the facts for each individual in the time line. Thus, it is long. I used color coding to identify various lines and counties.

Branch	Order	Date	Year	Event	Given	Middle	Surname	Township/City	County	State	Country
4	Sellers	6	1798	Birth	Isaac		Sellers	Harrison County	Kentucky	USA	
5	Sellers	6	1798	Death	John		Sellers	Harrison County	Kentucky		
7	Knight	10	1867	1799	Birth	Mary	Polly	Crawford	Kentucky		
8	Mims	2	12	1799	Marriage						
9	Mims	3	1799	20	Marriage	Sarah	Smith	Crawford	Kentucky		
10	Mims	4	1811	1799	Birth	Polly		Crawford	Kentucky		
11	Sellers	6	1799	Birth	Sellers	A	Sellers	Boonshon County	Kentucky		
12	Sellers	7	28	1799	Birth	Mary	Barnas	Boonshon County	Kentucky		
13	Sellers	8	1799	29	Tax	Joseph	Sellers	Boonshon County	Kentucky		
14	Sellers	9	1799	30	Birth	Richard	Crawford	Boonshon County	Kentucky		
15	Sellers	71	21	1799	Birth	Sally	Neal	Harrison County	Kentucky		
16	Sellers	73	27	1799	Death	Hubbard	Crawford	Sellers	Kentucky		
17	Anderson	18	1799	1799	Residence						
18	Anderson	16	21	1800	1800	Marriage	Robert	Crawford	Kentucky		
19	Anderson	17	21	1800	1800	Marriage	Alene	Boonshon County	Kentucky		
20	Anderson	17	21	1800	1800	Marriage	Alene	Boonshon County	Kentucky		
21	Knight	10	1867	1799	Birth	Mary	Polly	Crawford	Kentucky		

Even though the data is here, this form of timeline hasn't helped me advance my research.

Yesterday, I started a different version of a time line. This timeline has the different family groups across the top and the year down the side. In the intersecting cell, I'm recording brief info about the event and the county/state where they lived. I'm using color coding for the locations.

[illegible][illegible]

For this timeline, I limited the people to the following:

- two James Crawfords of Preble County (James/Sally and James/Martha)
- their suspected mothers: Rebecca Crawford and Mary Crawford (md Moore)
- suspected uncles of one of the James Crawfords: James/Rebecca and William/Elizabeth
- suspected siblings: Sarah Crawford (William Sellers) and Mary Crawford (James Sellers)
- step-sons of my ancestor: Henry Duggins and William Duggins
- daughter of my ancestor: Polly Crawford md John Stoner

By looking at the information in this format, I've been able to track the land transactions. This has allowed me to quickly see which tracts of land only had one transaction (purchase or sell), allowing me to look for the other transaction. I'm also seeing other 'holes' in my research of these people. Hopefully, as I fill in those 'holes', I will find records tying these Crawford families together.

I'm thankful I tried looking at the information from a different perspective!

Marriage Bond Mystery

Friday, January 25, 2019

Do you have documents in your genealogy files with incomplete citations.
Congratulations if your answer was no!

Unfortunately, I have documents with partial citations. One set of those documents is four marriage bonds involving Crawford family members from Kentucky in the 1790s.

- Mary Crawford consent to marry James Sellers given by Rebekah Crawford on 19 Dec 1791 in Lincoln County, Kentucky witnessed by James Crawford and Wm Sellers
- Bond of James Crawford and Nathan Douglas for the marriage of James Crawford to Martha Night on 12 Mar 1793 in Lincoln County, Kentucky. Consent for the marriage was given by John Goodpastor and witnessed by James Sellers and Samuel Sellers
- Consent of Rebekah Crawford for Sarah Crawford to marry William Sellers on 2 Feb 1796 in Lincoln County, KY witnessed by James Crawford and James Sellers
- Bond by James Crawford and James Sellers for the marriage of James Crawford and Sally Duggins on 12 Sept 1799 in Garrard County, Kentucky

I was able to locate the two Crawford-Sellers bonds thru Family Search. They are found in the Loose papers, files 1-6 1781-1809 (film #102262) in the Marriage Records, 1781-1961 collection for Lincoln County, Kentucky on Family Search thru a search of the index for Crawford.

Search Results from Historical Records
1-5 of 5 results for Name: **Crawford**, Film Number: **192262**
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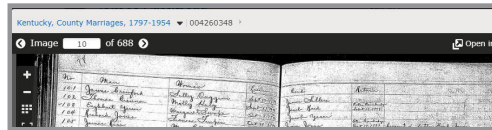
Name	Events	Relationships	View
Sarah Crawford Kentucky, County Marriages, 1797-1954	marriage: 2 February 1796 Lincoln, Kentucky, United States	spouse: William Sellers	
William Crawford Kentucky, County Marriages, 1797-1954	marriage: 21 August 1797 Lincoln, Kentucky, United States	spouse: Elizabeth Caldwell	
Alexander Crawford Kentucky, County Marriages, 1797-1954	marriage: 21 October 1798 Lincoln, Kentucky, United States	spouse: Margaret Elvee	
Mary Crawford Kentucky, County Marriages, 1797-1954	marriage: 19 December Lincoln, Kentucky, United States	mother: Rebekah Crawford	

On the off chance that the bond for James and Martha was missed, I scanned thru the entire roll of loose papers — and still didn't find it. I was able to find verification that the record existed at one time in the set of records titled, "Extract" in the Marriage Records, 1781-1961 collection for Lincoln County, Kentucky.

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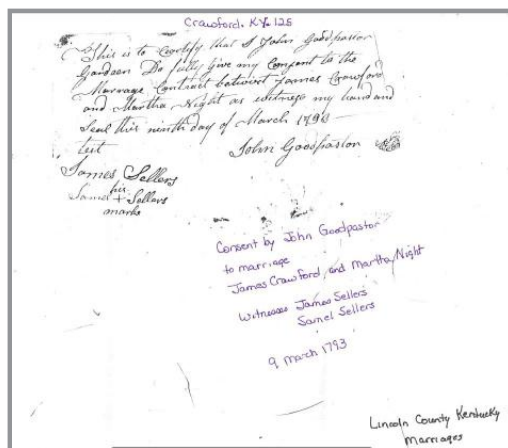
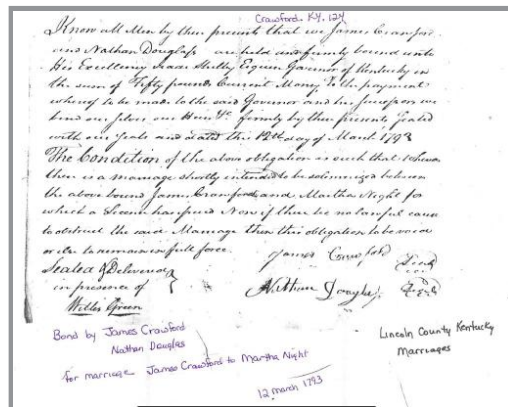
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	Mar 20 COLEMAN, Thomas to RUTHY COOK
	June 9 CHURCHWELL, Richard to NANCY HAPPER
1793	Sept 23 CAMPBELL, Charles to PHEBE TAYLOR
	Jan 23 COLE, Micaiah to Susanna Wiley
	Mar 12 CLOYD, David to MARGARY MARSHAL
	Sept 3 CAMPBELL, Thomas to SARAH LYNAM
	Mar 12 CRAWFORD, James to MARTHA NIGHT

I had a similar experience trying to locate the bond for James Crawford and Sally Duggins. I located the following in the Index 1797-1853 (DGS 004260348) set of records in the Marriages, 1797-1954 collection for Garrard County, KY.

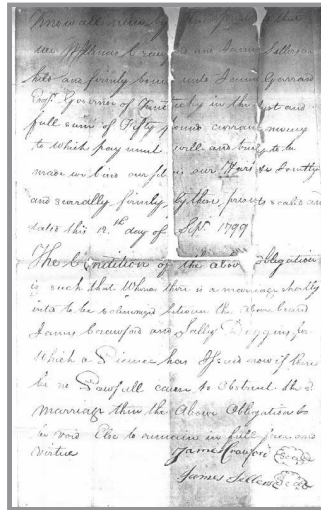


Thus, I have two marriage bonds and little evidence of where they came from.

Bond for James Crawford and Martha Night



Bond for James Crawford and Sally Duggins



So, the question of the day: ***Where did I get copies of these two marriage bonds?***

Lesson of the day: ***Create a solid citation for each and every source!***

Tax Man Cometh

Saturday, January 26, 2019

It's tax season again. I'm betting that unless one has a child applying for a college scholarship, most people haven't started their taxes yet. I know I haven't. I'd rather be spending my time researching.

So why was I buried in tax information yesterday? Well, I was going back thru some old research in pre 1800 tax lists for Madison County, Kentucky. I've looked at the tax information before, but didn't have a good understanding of the various families to be able to identify the people listed.

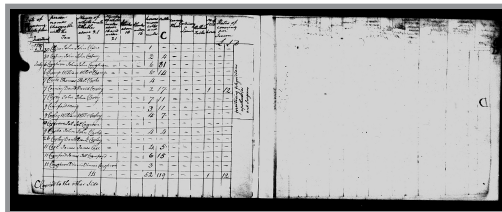
Between 1787 and 1796, the following Crawford households are found in Madison County, Kentucky:

- **Mary Crawford** (found 1787-1792)
- **James Crawford** (found 1787-1796)
- **William Crawford** (found 1787-1796)
- **James Crawford** – appears in 1792
- Alexander Crawford – appears in 1792
- **John Crawford** – appears in 1795
- **William Crawford Jr** – appears in 1795
- Edward Crawford — appears in 1795 – under a different commissioner's list

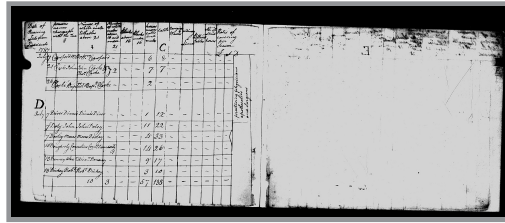
Everyone but Edward Crawford is missing in the 1797 list. This may be due to the creation of Garrard County, KY from part of Madison and part of Lincoln County.

So are any of these my ancestor, **James Crawford** (1772-1854)? If I have his birth year correct, then he would not have turned 21 until 1793. So are any of these possibly his parent or sibling?

The **Mary Crawford** in these tax lists is likely the same **Mary Crawford** that married Alexander Moore. She may be the mother of **James Crawford** (1772-1854). This is the same **Mary Crawford** who purchased land from Richard Cave. (Mary Crawford – wife of Alexander Moore)

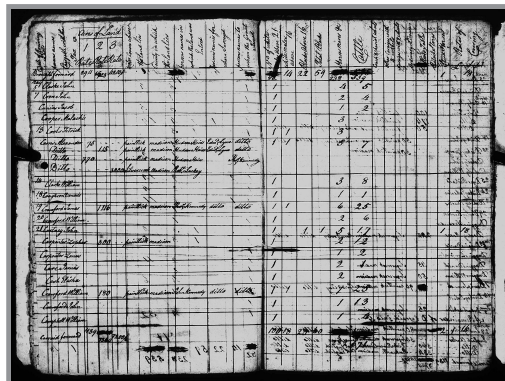


1787 Madison County Kentucky Tax list image 10 on Family Search film 8126



1787 Madison County Kentucky Tax list image 11 on Family Search film 8126

In terms of the **James Crawford** in the 1787 list, he is shown as having land on Paint Lick that was purchased from Thos L Kennedy in 1796.



1796 Madison County Kentucky Tax List image 333 on Family Search film 8126

I found the deed for this land transaction in Lincoln County Kentucky Deeds, Vol. A page 219. In 1812, **James Crawford** and Rebecca his wife of County of Jefferson, Territory of Indiana sold 150 acres of that land back to Thomas Kennedy. (Garrard County Kentucky Deeds, Book D, p309) Thus, I believe the **James Crawford** in the 1787-1796 tax lists to be the **James Crawford** who was married to Rebecca Anderson.

When it comes to **William**, I haven't been able to locate his purchase of 180 acres on Paint Lick that was part of the John Kennedy grant. Thus, I haven't been able to use land transactions to identify his wife.

Other researchers believe that **James Crawford** was the son of James and Margery Crawford and grandson of Col. John Crawford. James and Margery had son named **William**. Researchers have placed this **William Crawford** in this area of Kentucky prior to his migration to Ste. Genevieve in the Louisiana Territory. Thus, the **William** in these early tax lists could be the brother of **James Crawford**. These same researchers believe that **Mary** is the widowed sister-in-law of **James** and **William**. I need more documentation to support this relationship, but my current theory is that **James** and **William** are brothers.

So, who are the 'newcomers' [**James** and Alexander] to the list in 1792?

1792 Madison County Kentucky Tax List image 132 on Family Search film 8126

Based on the possessions, **James** might have just turned 21, but Alexander is likely older. Could **James** be the son of **Mary**, **James** or **William**? **William** did have a son named James, but my current knowledge of the family indicates he was born in 1782 making him too young. **James** also had a son named James who was born in 1790. Thus, he is also too young. Thus the **James** that appears in 1792 is likely the son of **Mary**. A second study of the 1792 list shows the same date for **Mary** and the **James** with 2 horses and different dates for **William** and **James** (with 9 horses).

In terms of Alexander's identity, I believe he is the Alexander Crawford that married Margaret McElwee in Lincoln County, Kentucky in 1788. However, I need to collect more records for him to verify that these are the same man. I don't know how Alexander fits with **Mary**, **James** and **William**. Other researchers believe he descends from Alexander Crawford and Mary McPheeters. That is possible since their descendants are found throughout early Kentucky.

A similar situation occurs in 1795 with the addition of **John**, **William Jr** and Edward.

1795 Tax List Madison County Kentucky image 210 on Family Search film 8126

Since Edward's listing occurs in a different district than **James** and William, I don't believe he is the son of **Mary**, **James** or **William**. Again **James'** sons are too young to appear on this tax list.

Assuming this **William** is the brother of **James**, he has two sons that could appear on the 1795 tax list: **William** (b about 1771) and **John** (b about 1774). The tax

commissioner visited both Williams on the 23rd of May but visited **John** on the 25th of April.

A **John Crawford** married Sarah McAlester in August of 1794 in Madison County, Kentucky. A check of the tax list for McAlesters shows a Sarah McAlester. The date of her visit was the 25th of April. This would suggest that the Sarah McAlester of the tax list may be the mother of the Sarah McAlester married to **John Crawford** and that they were living near each other.

So what have I proven? Absolutely nothing! I need more documentation.

However, I do believe I have circumstantial evidence for the following relationships:

- **Mary Crawford** , **James Crawford** and **William Crawford** are somehow related.
- **James Crawford** of the 1792 listing may be the son of **Mary Crawford**
- **John Crawford** and **William Crawford** may be the sons of **William Crawford**
- **John Crawford** 's wife may be the daughter of Sarah McAlester

I still need to do the same analysis with tax lists from Lincoln County, Kentucky and possibly Garrard and Barren counties.

Below are my notes from viewing these tax lists:

Madison County, Kentucky Tax Books, 1787-1874

Tax books 1787-1797, 1799-1807
Film 8126
DGS 7834478

<https://www.familysearch.org/search/catalog/156105?availability=Family%20History%20Library>

1787

image 7

List of taxable property within the district of Michael McNeely
Commissioner in the county of Madison for the year 1787

Image 10

July 9 1787 **Crawford (or Cranford) Mary** – 3 horses, 11 cattle

July 9, 1787 Cooley, William – Willm Cooley – 4 horses 7 cattle

July 9, 1787 Clarke John John Clarke – 4 horses, 4 cattle

July 11, 1787 Care, James

July 11, 1787 **Crawford James** – Jas Crwford – 6 horses 15 cattle

July 11, 1787 Coughron Dinnis

Image 11

July 17, 1787 **Crawford Willm** Wm Crawford 6 horses 8 cattle

NO Duggins

NO Douglas

Image 23 – No Sellers

People recorded on July 9 (neighbors of Mary)

Cooley, William

Clarke, John
McClure William
Miller George
McCarley Jeremiah
Poe William
Stephens Jehu
Yocum John

People recorded on July 11 (neighbors of James)

Brown, Joseph
Brank Robt
Care James
Coughron Dinnis
Forkner THos
French James
Gordon Saml
Hix John
Kennedy Thomas
Kennedy John
Kennedy J L
Nickelson James
Ross Hugh
Smith James
Winters Fred
Wallace Michl

People recorded on July 17 (neighbors of William)

Kilpatrick Hugh
McDowell Alex
Miller Nancy
Runnolds Ricd
Rice David

List of Taxable Property within the district of John Miller, Commissioner in the county of Madison for the year **1787**

image 33

A book for the solicitor
Richmond Sept 8 1787
NO Crawford

image 53

A book containing a list of taxable property in one of the district
laid of by Court in Madison
County for Andw Kennedy
a commissioner in the year 1787

1788

image 57

A list of taxable property within the district of Robert Rode?
County of Madison for year 1788

C's mostly illegible

image 61

list of taxable property within the district of Michael McNeeley
Commissioner in the county of Madison for the year 1788

Image 63

March 22 **Crawford William** – 1 white male taxable – 6 horses
March 22 **Crawford James** – 1 white male taxable – 5 horses
March 21 **Crawford Mary** – 2 horses

Image 73

Madison County

1789

A list of tithables and taxable
property in the district of Aaron
Lewis Commission in the County of
Madison District of Kentucky
for the year 1789

NO Crawford

No DUGGINS

NO Sellers

Image 81

List of taxable property in the district of Michael McNeeley
Commissionary in the County of Madison for the year 1789

Image 82

Crawford Mary – number of white tithable > 16 — ONE – 3 horses
Crawford James – 1 white tithable > 16 – 7 horses
Crawford William – 1 white tithable > 16 – 4 horses
Duggan William – 1 white tithable > 16

Mary Crawford also on image 90

Kennedy's are in this set of tax records, but the Crawfords are missing

Image 99

Madison County **1790**

Image 110

John Pitman Return
for 1790

Image 111

Madison County 1791

Image 123

Crawford William 2 (heading illegible – but likely 2 thitheables) — 5 (likely horses)
Crawford James – 1 (likely thitheable) – 7 (likely horses)

Crawford Mary – 1 (likely titheable) – 3 (likely horses) — note on right side of page

Image 125

Maxwell Bezleel

Moore ALEXander

Image 126

Sellers, Wm – 1 (likely tithable) – 3 (likely horses)

image 129

Madison County **1792**

Image 132

17th – **Crawford William** – 1 male >21; 2 males 16-21; 13 horses; 16 cattle; 180 acres

3rd – **Crawford Mary** — 1 male 16-21; 4 horses; 10 cattle; 100 acres

3rd – **Crawford James** – 1 male > 21; 2 horses – 1 cattle

4th – **Crawford James** TS – 1 male > 21; 9 horses; 25 cattle; 150 acres

Image 133

6th – Crawford Alexander – 1 male >21; 1 horse; 9 cattle; 64 acres

image 157

1793

Image 161

Dark / mostly illegible

there is a Crawford

No Alexander Moore on image 165

image 170

1794

image 174 — very faint

Crawford, Evan ????

Image 197

Crawford, James 1 male >21, 8 horses – 15 cattle – 146 acres

Crawford, James 1 male >21, 1 horse, 3 cattle

Crawford, Alexander, 1 male >21, 2 horses, 5 cattle

Crawford, William , 1 male >21, 3 males 16-21, 13 horses, 20 cattle

Duggin, William, 1 male >21, 1 horse, 6 cattle

Image 206

Madison County **1795**

Image 210

Crawford James – 1 male >21; 5 horses; 17 cattle; 146 acres

Image 211

Crawford John – 1 male > 21, 2 horses, 6 cattle

Crawford William Jr – 1 male > 21; 2 horses; 6 cattle

Crawford William Sr – 1 male > 21; 1 male 16-21; 12 horses; 28 cattle; 180 acres

Image 212

Duggins, William – 1 male > 21; 2 horses; 8 cattle

Duggins, Daniel – 1 male >21

Image 218

Moore Alexander – 1 male >21; 3 horses; 3 cattle

Image 257

Crawford Edward – 1 male >21, 2 horses; 3 cattle

Image 266

1796

Image 271

Crawford Edwd

Image 333

Crawford James – 1216 acres Paint Lick Madison County Thos L Kennedy Grant; 1 male >21; 1 male 16-21; 6 horses; 25 cattle [200 Acres – James/Rebecca]

Crawford William – 1 male >21; 2 horses; 6 cattle

Crawford, William – 180 acres paint Lick, Madison county; John Kennedy grant; 1 male >21; 1 male 16-21; 7 horses; 25 cattle

Crawford, John – 1 male >21; 1 horse; 13 cattle

Image 334

Duggins, Alexander – 1 male >21; 1 horse

Duggins, David- 1 male > 21; 1 horse; 2 cattle

Duggins Benjamin – 1 male > 21; 1 horse

Duggins Daniel 45 acres Sugar Creek Madison County – 1 male > 21; 1 horse; 1 cattle

Duggins William 50 acres Sugar Creek Madison County – 1 male > 21; 2 horses; 6 cattle

Image 340

Moore Alexander – 50 acres Paint Lick Madison County ; 1 male >21; 2 horses; 7 cattle

Image 353

1797

Image 406 – Image Downloaded

Crawford Edwd – 1 male > 21; 3 horses

image 422

1798

image 423

1799

Image 458

Madison County **1800**

Image 492

NO Crawfords

but Kennedy and Maxwell families in this group

Quit at image 538

Madison County 1801

Moving Day

Saturday, January 26, 2019

When working on your genealogy, have you ever used a piece of software or web site that didn't quite do what you expected. Then, when you go searching for an alternative find that the alternative is relatively expensive and you want to preserve your precious genealogy funds for something else.



Well, that's the position I was in a couple of weeks ago with my WordPress blog. The one thing I wanted to include in a blog post either required HTML coding or a plug-in. The plug-in was easy to find – but, my WordPress blog doesn't allow plug-ins. In order for me to utilize plug-ins, I would have to upgrade my PERSONAL WordPress plan to a BUSINESS plan — at a significant increase in cost.

[Read More](#)

Revelation

Sunday, January 27, 2019

Have you ever tripped over a county line? I mean, have you ever not considered a family in the neighboring county just because they are in the neighboring county?

Well, I have — for over thirty years.

As I've written about before, I have two James Crawford families living in Preble County, Ohio. One is my ancestor and one is his neighbor.

- James Crawford of Preble County, Ohio

My ancestor was married in Garrard County, Kentucky in 1799, while the other James was married in Lincoln County, Kentucky in 1793. For all these years, I've thought that the records for Lincoln County, Kentucky were in relation to the 'other' James while the records in Garrard and Madison counties were for my James.

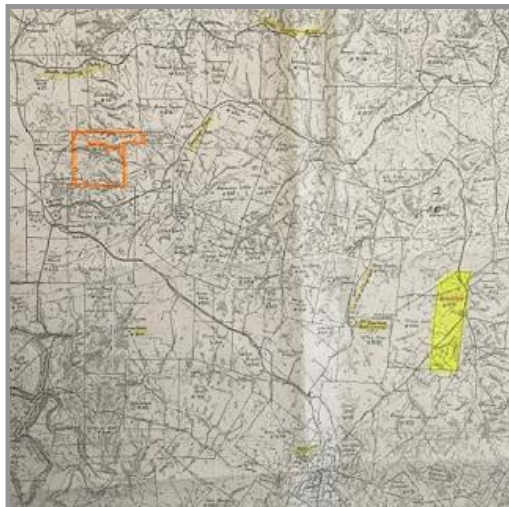
Recently, I did the analysis of the Madison County, Kentucky tax records and realized that the men we assumed were related to the Lincoln County bunch were listed on the Madison county records.

Then, last night, I started going thru the Lincoln County, Kentucky tax records. In 1787, I found Rebekah Crawford living near George Douglas. Also living in Lincoln County, Kentucky in 1787 was two members of the Sellers family.

This morning, I was thinking about Rebekah and Mary Crawford and wondered how far apart they were living. I already knew that Mary Crawford had purchased land from Richard Cave. That land is in Garrard County, Kentucky.

Since I have a map of the original surveys for Garrard County, I decided to see if I could find George Douglas' land. I knew the land was near the Dix River.

I found George Douglas' land on the map. Both women lived in what became Garrard County.



The above map shows the Richard Cave survey in yellow. Some of this land was sold to Mary Crawford. The George Douglass survey is outlined in orange. Some of this land was sold to Rebekah Crawford. Both pieces of land are in current day Garrard County.

Below is a broader look at the map. The area outlined in green is the Kennedy land. James and possibly William purchased land from the Kennedys.



At the time, these properties would not have been considered close to each other. However they are all in the same area of Kentucky. Thus, there may be a relationship between Rebekah, Mary, James and William.

I've been tripping over that county line for YEARS!

Moved

Sunday, January 27, 2019

I have moved my blog to Blogger. Please join me at

Heartland Genealogy

Recent posts include:

- Revelation
- Moving Day Part 3
- Jump Break
- Moving Day Part 2

Thank you to everyone who has followed this blog!

Two Degrees

Monday, January 28, 2019



Here is your assignment if you choose to play along (cue the Mission Impossible music):¹ Using your ancestral lines, how far back in time can you go with two degrees of separation? That means "you knew an ancestor, who knew another ancestor." When was that second ancestor born?

My first thought was that I knew my great-grandmother, Josie Crawford.



Crawford Line: Josie Hammond **Crawford** was born in 1874. She would have known her grandfather, Horatio **Hammond** (1798-1879) and grandparents, James Barr **Ralston** (1811-1904) and Nancy Jane **McCormick** (1818-1907).

Josie would have also known her in-laws: Washington Marion **Crawford** (1838-1889) and Mary Foster **Crawford** (1842-1929). Josie's father-in-law was a prisoner of war at Andersonville, as was her father, Richmond Fisk **Hammond** (1840-1928).

Currey Line: I knew my grandmother, Winnie Letha **Currey** (1903-1992). Winnie did not know any of her grandparents since they all died prior to her birth. Her mother, Winnie Mae **Hutchinson**, died in 1913, when my grandmother was ten. My grandmother did not know much about her heritage. Her thirst for knowledge about her mother's family is what started my genealogy quest.

Briles Line: I knew my grandfather, Edward Osmond **Briles** (1891-1956). His grandfather, Noah Washington **Briles** (1840-1879) died before he was born. His grandmother, Sarah Jane Thompson **Briles** (1843) was still living in Coffey county, Kansas near where his parents lived. Also living in the area were his other grandparents, James Marshall **Ricketts** (1847-1920) and Rachel Elmeda **Christy** (1845-1927). Also living in the area was E. O. Briles' great grandfather, Alexander **Briles** (1813-1900). Several of his other great grandparents were living, but not in Coffey county, Kansas. William Taylor **Thompson** (1820-1898) and his wife, Polly Ann **Evans** (1821-1896) were living in Wapello County, Iowa. Orilda Matilda Reed **Ricketts** (1828-1900) was living in Clinton county, Indiana. Samuel **Christy** (1819-1904) was also living in Clinton county, Indiana. Whether the families visited each other is unknown.

Mentzer Line: I knew my great-grandfather, Charles Oliver **Mentzer** (1869-1955). He would have known his grandfather, John Minnick (1822-1903).

I connect within two degrees of separation to my third great grandfather, Horatio **Hammond**. Horatio **Hammond** was living in Knox county, Illinois where Josie Winifred **Hammond** was born.

My Library Adventure

Tuesday, January 29, 2019

Do you include libraries and archives in your genealogy toolbox?

For me, the use of a library or archive has always been part of my genealogy journey. Perhaps that is because I earned my Masters' in Library Science about the same time I started my genealogical journey.



Even though my emphasis was in school librarianship, my graduate classes exposed me to some of the very same tools like NUCMC (National Union Catalog of Manuscript Collections) that I would use for genealogical research.

In my first years of genealogical research, books and microfilm were the tools I needed to access to learn about my family. Since I moved to Nemaha county, Kansas as a teacher, my family roots are not in Nemaha county. Thus, I had to travel to access resources.

My primary destination was the archives at the Kansas State Historical Society. Travels to the historical society provided me with access to Kansas census records and Kansas newspapers. In addition, their book collection of local and state histories helped me learn about my ancestors prior to their arrival in Kansas.

When I would visit my grandmother in Dodge City, I often planned my trips around court house hours. This allowed me to search the land and probate records for my family in the Dodge City area.

On one of those trips, I visited Boot Hill and asked if they had a photograph collection. To my surprise, they took me upstairs to their small office and let me search their photographs. Among their collection, I found a picture of my second great-grandfather, Washington Marion Crawford! I'm looking forward to going back to Boot Hill once they have their new archives building opened!

In order to research my family before their arrival in Kansas, I needed to travel to libraries with a broader collection. In particular, I needed access to the federal census for other states (remember this is prior to the Internet). For that I turned to the Midwest Genealogy

Center in Independence, Missouri.

Thanks to the Kansas Council of Genealogical Societies and Ruth Keys Clark, I had the opportunity to participate in a bus tour to the Family History Library at Salt Lake City — twice.



This week long adventure allowed me to come home with piles of photocopies of land, probate and other records for my ancestors throughout the U.S.

In 1985, I became the librarian for Nemaha Valley High School and my library experience shifted from a user to being the librarian. Working with students on research projects helped me develop my research skills. I also improved my knowledge of U.S. history by assisting with various history projects over the years.

In 1992, my library world began to change as implemented an electronic catalog and a NETWORK. Slowly, my network of two computers began to grow as teacher computers and a dedicated server were added to my network. My job responsibilities also began to change as I became responsible for the functioning of the network and computers.

My research skills were enhanced as I learned how to use Dialog to access magazine databases over a dedicated modem. As the Internet began to develop, so did our access.

As each new tool became available, I had to learn how to use it, not only for my own work, but also so I could help others learn to use it. I'm thankful for this time of constant learning since I can apply those skills to my genealogy work today.

Today's genealogical research is significantly different than when I first started. There is so much available from my own home.

However, I still need access to resources not available on the Internet. For books, I still travel to the Midwest Genealogy Center and enjoy their new setting.



For local records, I turn to Family Search. Many of the rolls of microfilm that I used in Salt Lake have now been digitized. I am finding that a lot of those digitized records are available on my home computer. For those locked records, I simply visit my local library where the librarian applied for and received approval to be an Affiliate Library for Family Search.

I am thankful for all of the libraries and librarians that have helped me along this journey!

#NotAtRootsTech

Wednesday, January 30, 2019

Mark your calendar for February 27th thru March 2nd and join me #NotAtRootsTech!



This will be my third year of #NotAtRootsTech and I can't wait. Having been away from genealogy for several years, I was unaware of RootsTech when I returned to my genealogy. During my first year of retirement, I somehow learned about the RootsTech conference and its Live Stream schedule.

I watched all of the sessions that year and was very thankful for the opportunity to view them. I've thought about attending in person, but the idea of winter travel isn't that appealing. As I watch it snow on one of the coldest days of the year, I can't imagine having to drive a couple of hours or longer, depending on conditions, to an airport or train station for a trip to Salt Lake City.

Thus, I'm preparing for being NotAtRootsTech again in 2019. RootsTech is making it easier for those of use who can't (or in my case won't) travel to Salt Lake City to participate. They are offering a 'Virtual Pass'. By purchasing my 'Virtual Pass' I will have access to the recordings from several RootsTech classes.

I'm also preparing by

- Downloading the RootsTech app to my cellphone
- Updating my profile on the RootsTech app
- Checking out the Live Stream schedule
- Identifying bloggers and vendors who might be posting from RootsTech and making sure I am following both their blogs and their Facebook accounts
- Turning on notifications for Facebook Live broadcasts so that I can catch those bloggers and vendors who happen to host such an event
- Going over the entire schedule looking for sessions of interest
- Locating handouts (via the app) for sessions of interest
- Following the #NotAtRootsTech hashtag on Twitter to learn more ways to enjoy RootsTech

For more information on the RootsTech Stream, watch this Family History Fanatics video, *A Teens Take on the 2019 #NotAtRootsTech LiveStream Schedule*.

Join me #NotAtRootsTech in February.

Buddy File

Thursday, January 31, 2019

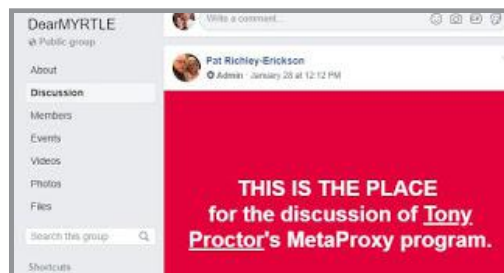
Do you ever find yourself looking for a picture of an individual in a group and not finding it? Or, do you struggle to find a digital image of a document that someone witnessed?

I know I struggle with this issue. That's why Tony Proctor's presentation regarding indexing off file names during last Monday's session of Monday's with Myrt proved intriguing. (Organizing More Resources)

Tony developed a simple program to attach a 'buddy file' to the image. As he was presenting, I kept thinking, about the time involved to add this information to each and every photograph.

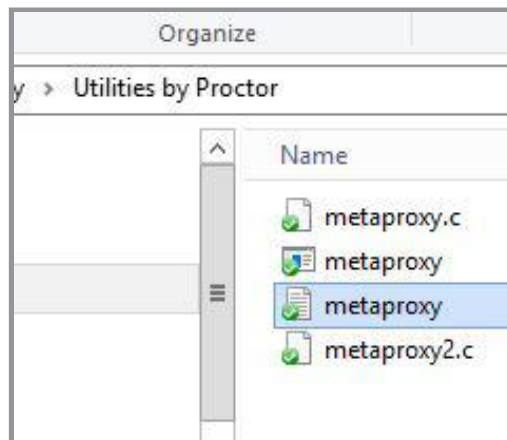
Then, Hilary commented that she has been using Tony's program to attach transcriptions to a digital image. With the transcription attached to the image, I would be able to search my files for a member of an ancestor's FAN club and find records they were mentioned in. That makes it worth the time to learn how to do this.

First, I found Dear Myrtle's Facebook post on the topic.

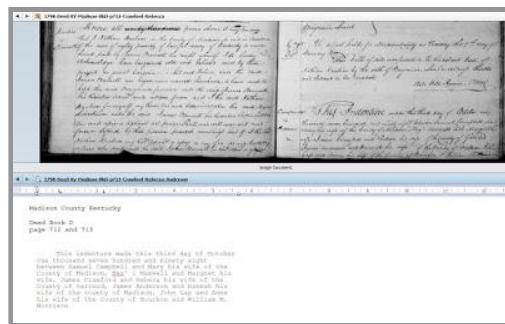


This post contains the link to the original blog post and to the Dropbox folder containing the files. Tony has added quite a few comments to the post that are worth reading.

I downloaded the metaproxy application and the metaproxy text file to a Utilities folder.



Now, I need to create a 'meta' file for one of the images in this folder. Since I want to put the transcription for an image in the meta file, I opened my Scrivener file and located one of the images and transcriptions I wanted to work with.

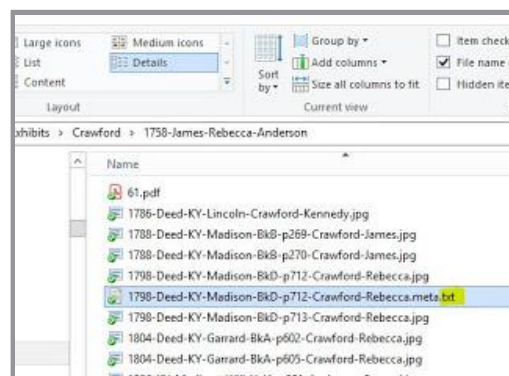


Then I copied the text from the transcription into notepad. I saved that file with the EXACT same name as the image file but with a META extension (what goes after the period) into the same folder as the image.

Here's where it got tricky. Since I couldn't see the extensions on my file names, I didn't know there was a problem. However, this was mentioned during the Mondays with Myrt session — and so I knew that I had to make the extensions visible. To do that, I opened Windows Explorer and clicked on the VIEW button. On the VIEW menu is a check box for File Name Extension.



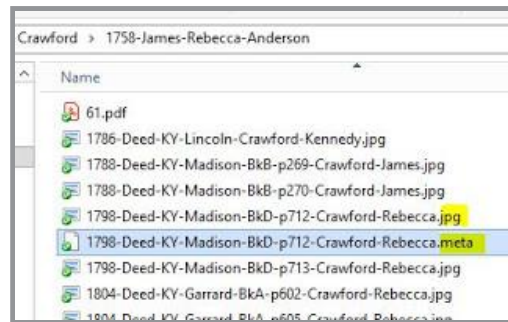
When I clicked to show the extensions, I could see the issue with my META file. The .txt extension was added to the name.



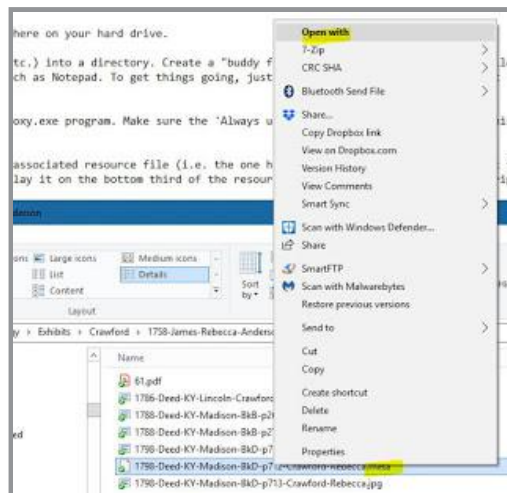
I had forgotten to change the 'Save as Type' from Text to All Files when I saved the file in Notepad. Thus, I got the .txt extension on the file I saved.



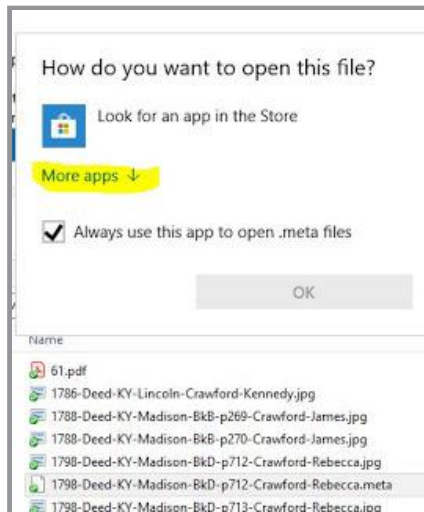
This was easily remedied by renaming the file to remove the .txt from the end of the name. Now, I have the .meta file and the .jpg file in the same folder.



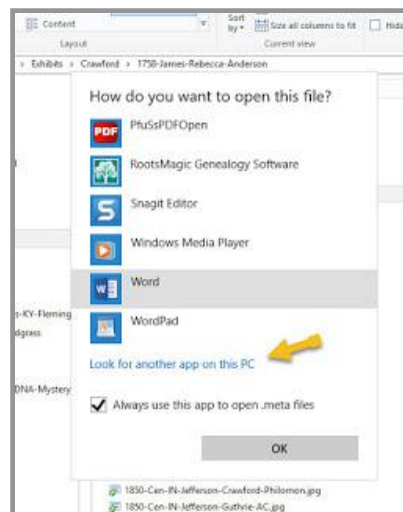
The next step is to train the computer to use the metaproxy application to open the .meta file. To begin this process, I did a right click on the file and selected 'Open With'.



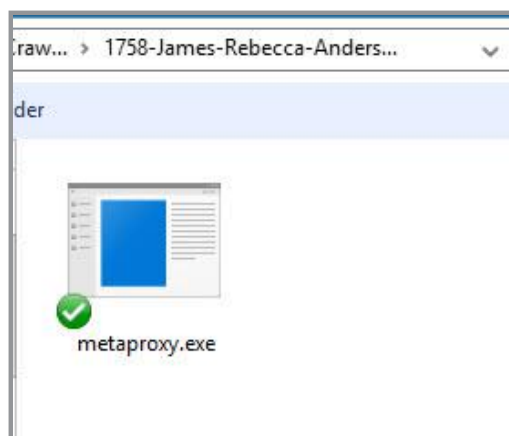
The screen prompted me to look in the App Store or to select from a list of 'More Apps'.



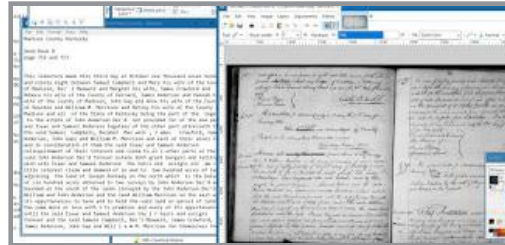
At the bottom of the list of applications is the option to “Look for another app on this PC”



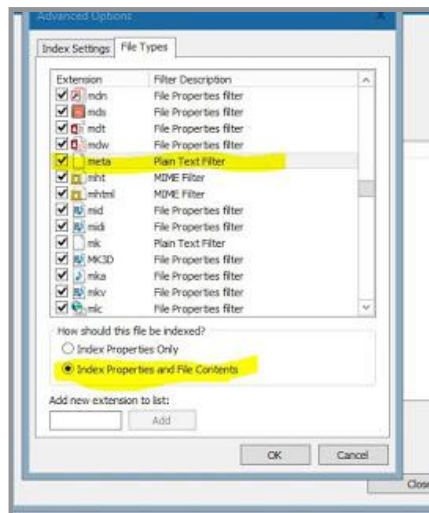
I selected the option, “Look for another app on this PC” and browsed to the folder with the .meta file and the metaproxy.exe file.



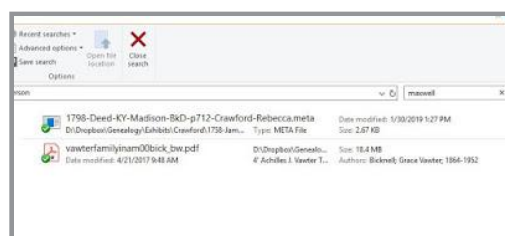
After setting the program to use metaproxy.exe to open the .meta file I created, I could double click on the .meta file and it would open both the TEXT based .meta file and the image file. Since I have Paint.Net set as my default software for .jpg files, the image opened in that program and the text file opened in Notepad. I discovered that if Paint.Net was set to full screen, the text file was hidden.



When I tried to search my directory for one of the surnames in this file, I did not find this file. Thus, I went back to Tony's text file of directions and discovered that I needed to make a change in the indexing options (on Control Panel) for the meta file type. I followed the directions and found where I had to change the method of indexing so that it was Index properties and File Contents.



Even though I tried to follow Tony's directions to make sure the folder and its contents were being indexed, I couldn't get a search to pull up the file. Then I read to the end where Tony said he had to reboot his computer. So, I rebooted. Once I rebooted, I tried to search the folder again. At first, it wasn't working. In fact, I couldn't search for anything. However, after a minute or two, the search feature started working. I was able to pull up the meta file.



Now that I have this figured out, I can use this to connect a transcription to the image. I just need to remember to do the following:

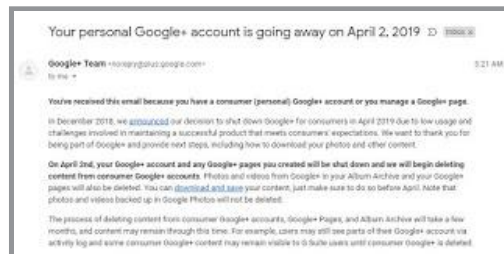
- Copy the transcription into Notepad
- Save the Notepad file with the exact same name as the image and the .meta extension
- Verify that the .meta file does not have a .txt extension

Thank you Tony Proctor for developing this application. Thank you Dear Myrtle for helping me learn about the application.

Photos and Google+

Friday, February 01, 2019

For some reason, I looked at email beyond my primary tab this morning. That's when I saw the notice from Google about my randomly used Google+ account.



Since I only used Google+ occasionally, I didn't think I had much content that would be affected. However, I do have some photos in my Google+ album. Thus, I want to retain those photos.

To do that I

- went to my Google Photo Archive at <https://get.google.com/albumarchive>
- noted that I had several albums including one with the G+ symbol. This album contains the photos I need to retrieve
- Clicked on the album to open it. This revealed my "Photos from Posts: G+ Photos and Videos shared on Google+"
- Look for three vertical dots in the upper right corner. Click on those dots if present.
- From the menu, click on 'Download the album'.
- This will download the photos as a zip file

Since I only had two photos in my Google+ album, the three dots were missing from the album. Instead, I

- Clicked on a photo to open the album
- Found the three vertical dots in the upper right corner and clicked on those dots
- Clicked on 'Download the album'. Since I'm on a Windows computer, this opened up Windows Explorer. Thus, I was able to select where the picture was saved and to give it a recognizable name.
- Repeat process for other photo

In terms of Google+ Pages, I was not aware of creating any pages. Knowing that I have some Google Sites, I wanted to verify that I did not have any pages.

In researching Google+ Pages, it appears that one must have a 'Brand' account to have the ability to create pages. I found a link to my 'Brand' accounts (or lack thereof): <https://myaccount.google.com/brandaccounts>

Since I was a random user of Google+, I am not moderating a community and doubt I've used my Google+ account to login to anything else.

As a user of Blogger, I recently changed my 'Comments' settings to not use Google+ comments. I also disabled the automatic posting to Google+.



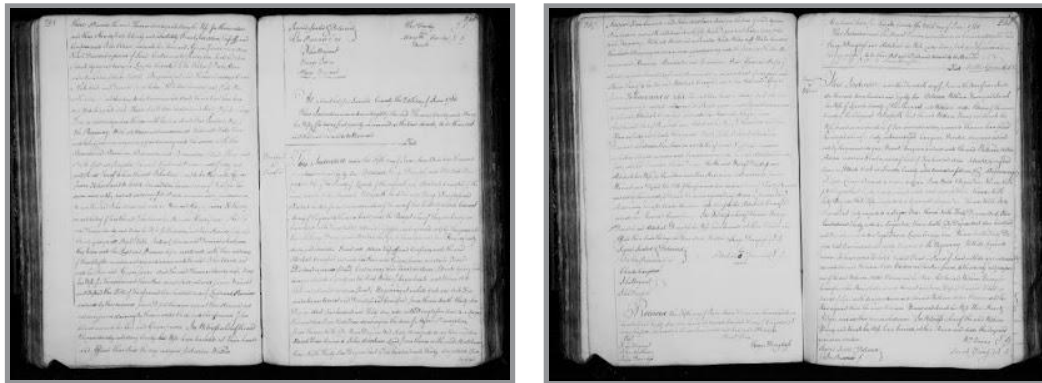
Hopefully, I have successfully retrieved my content from Google+.

I'm praying that Google does NOT take away Blogger or Google Sites!

Rebekah's Land

Friday, February 01, 2019

In 1786, Rebekah Crawford purchased 100 acres on the headwaters of Sugar and Boons Mill Creek in Lincoln County, Kentucky.



Kentucky, Lincoln County. Deeds, 1780-1866; indexes, 1780-1955. Film #192238 (DGS 7896460). Rebekah Crawford, 1 June 1786 Book A: page 244-245; digital images, *Family Search* <http://www.familysearch.org> : viewed online January 2019.

George Douglass and Rebekah his wife
to Rebekah Crawford

page 246 – image 133

This indenture made this fifth day of June Anno Dom One thousand seven hundred and eighty six between George Douglass and Rebecah Douglass his wife of the County of Lincoln of the one part and Rebekah Crawford of the same county of the other part, Witnesseth that the said George Douglass and Rebekah his wife for and in consideration of the sum of one hundred pounds current money of Virginia to them in hand paid the receipt whereof they do hereby acknowledge hath granted sold, aliened enforced and confirmed, and by these presents the said George Douglass and Rebekah his wife for themselves and their heirs do freely clearly and absolutely grant sell alien enforce and confirm unto the said Rebekah Crawford and unto her heirs and assigns forever a certain tract dividend or parcel of land, containing one hundred acres situate lying and being in Lincoln County on the head waters of sugar Creek and Boons mill Creek and is bounded as follows, To wit: Beginning at a white oak and ash tree made corner betwixt said Douglass and Crawford from thence south thirty six degrees west two hundred and thirty one pole with Douglasses line to a sugar tree and two iron wood trees standing in the line of Myers Preemption from thence North fifty four degrees west sixty nine poles to an Elm and two Beach trees corner to John Matthews land from thence with said Matthews line North thirty six degrees East two hundred and thirty one poles to two sugar trees corner to said John Matthews land in the line of said Myers preemption and with said line south fifty four degrees east sixty nine poles to the beginning. With all Woods and under woods water and water courses thereunto belonging or in anywise appertaining unto the same with the reversion and reversions remainder and remainders rentss [?] and profits of all and singular the said land and premises before mentioned and of every part and parcel thereof to her the said, Rebekah Crawford, and to her heirs and assigns forever. to have and to hold the said one hundred acres of land be the same more or less and all and

every of its rights members and appurtenances unto the said, Rebekah Crawford and unto her heirs and assigns forever. And the said George Douglass and Rebekah his wife for themselves and their heirs do freely and clearly give up all right, title, interest, claim and demand whatsoever they have in and to the aforesaid land and premises with their rights members and appurtenances unto the said Rebekah Crawford unto her heirs and assigns forever. And the said George Douglas and Rebakah his wife for themselves and their heirs do and shall and will forever warrant and defend the title of the aforesaid one hundred acres of land & premises and will by these presents for defend the same against any person or persons that shall or may hereafter claim the same, unto the aforesaid Rebekah Crawford and unto her heirs and assigns forever. In witness whereof the said George Douglas and Rebekah Douglas his wife have hereunto set their hands and affixed their seals the day and year above written.

George Douglass (Seal) and
Rebekah Douglas (seal)

signed sealed and delivered in the presence of us
Charles Campbell
John Bryant
John Douglass

Received this fifth day of June, anno Dom one thousand seven hundred and eighty six one hundred pounds current money of Virginia, it being the full demand for the within mentioned land and premises.

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Where's Rebekah?

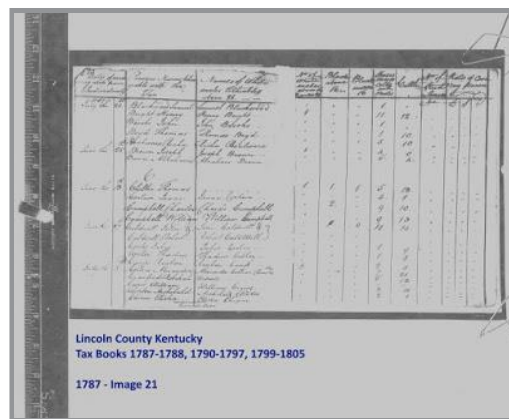
Saturday, February 02, 2019

Have you ever tried to track someone thru the census and just have them disappear? I have and it is frustrating!

I'm trying to figure out my Crawford family in Kentucky on the tax lists. Once I sat down to analyze the data, it was fairly easy to use land records to figure out the Madison County, Kentucky records prior to 1800. (See Tax Man Cometh)

However, the Lincoln County, Kentucky tax lists are proving to be a bit more difficult. There is a Rebekah Crawford who receives land from George Douglas in 1786. (See Rebekah's Land)

Rebekah appears on the Lincoln County tax list in 1787.



She also appears in 1789 and 1791. I have not found her after 1791.

Rebekah Crawford gave consent for the marriage of Mary Crawford to James Sellers in 1791 and for the marriage of Sarah Crawford to William Sellers in 1796. Thus, it is believed that Rebekah is the mother of Mary and Sarah. (See Marriage Bond Mystery)

James Sellers first appears on the tax list in 1789. He also appears in 1791, 1792, 1794, 1795 and 1796. None of the records for James Sellers indicate that he owned land.

William Sellers first appears on the tax list in 1792 as a male over 16. He is also listed on the 1794, 1795 and 1796 tax lists. On the 1795 list, he is listed owning 100 acres on Sugar Creek. On the 1796 tax list, William Sellers is listed with 50 acres on Sugar Creek.

In 1793, a third Crawford marriage occurred in Lincoln County between James Crawford and Martha Knight. A Nathan Douglas along with a James Crawford signed the bond for the marriage. This suggests that Rebekah Crawford may have been the mother of this James Crawford. (See James Crawford of Preble County)

There are several James Crawfords listed on these tax lists. Any one of them could be James and Martha. The first appears on the 1790 tax list. In 1791, a James Crawford is listed as a male over 16. In 1792, a James Crawford is listed with 120 acres.

In 1794, there are two James Crawfords listed in Lincoln County, Kentucky. One has 114 acres and the other isn't listed with land.

In 1795, there are three James Crawfords listed in Lincoln County, Kentucky. One has 114 acres and the other two are not listed with land.

From 1796 to 1798, there aren't any James Crawfords listed. In 1799, there is one James Crawford listed with 100 acres on Rolling Forks.

If Rebekah Crawford is the mother of Sarah, Mary and James, then where is she after 1791?

- Does Rebekah Crawford remarry? If so, where is the record?
- What happens to Rebekah Crawford's land?
- Could William and Sarah Sellers have set up housekeeping on Rebekah Crawford's property? If so, then why isn't the land listed for either Rebekah Crawford or William Sellers?
- Where is the 114 acres of land on Sugar Creek that James Crafford is listed with in 1795? Is this Rebekah Crawford's land?
- Could Rebekah Crawford have died prior to 1800? If so, where is the probate record or at least a land record transferring the title of the land.

Lessons from Football

Sunday, February 03, 2019



It's Super Bowl Weekend in America – the whole country (well, almost) will watch the game between the Los Angeles Rams and the New England Patriots on Sunday afternoon at 6:30 p.m. EST (3:30 PST).

Your mission, should you decide to accept it, is to:

1) What is your favorite National Football League team? ...

In our house, Super Bowl Sunday isn't much different than many other Sunday. My husband and I will be watching the game, but each of us will likely be doing other stuff (like genealogy) while watching.

I started writing for this topic yesterday, saying that the Kansas City Chiefs were my favorite team. However, I realized that even though they are my favorite team, I don't have answers for most of these questions. So I decided to not write on this topic.

Then I went to church today and got inspiration: teamwork and legacy.

In our local church, the children's sermon was about teamwork. Carla did a great job of demonstrating to the children how being part of a larger team can help one carry a burden.

Prior to going to church this morning, I was watching the service at the United Methodist Church of the Resurrection online. They have been doing a sermon series, "Lessons from Football for the Game of Life." I've really enjoyed this series as they've intertwined different aspects of football into how our faith is practiced. Today's sermon is on the concept of 'Victory'. [Today's sermon isn't archived yet.]

Instead of talking about all of the fame and glory that society associates with Victory, the sermon focused on ways the influence of different players is impacting children living in poverty. Highlighted during the sermon were two different programs founded by members

of the Kansas City Chiefs.

The first is the '3rd and Long Foundation' founded by Derek Thomas, Neil Smith and Otis Taylor. The goal of this foundation is to help battle illiteracy among urban youth.

The second is 'Team Smile' founded by Dr. Bill Busch and Dustin Colquitt. The purpose of this foundation is to provide free dental care to children living in poverty.

One of the points of the sermon was that we can define victory by how much we give of ourselves.

So, how can I apply this to my genealogy life?

Even though I live in a small rural community, I can still be part of the 'genealogy' team.

- Participate in various genealogy groups on Facebook
- Share other genealogy bloggers posts via Twitter and Facebook
- Join a local genealogical society — even when I don't have ancestors in the area — and participate in their programs
- Join a genealogical society where my ancestors lived — even though I can't participate in their programs

Leaving a legacy is easy for most genealogists! We leave our life's work.

- My life's work may have errors, but I'm still going to share it.
- My life's work isn't 'done', but I'm still going to share it.

Join me in applying these lessons from football

to our life as a genealogist.

John Crawford of Lincoln County Kentucky

Sunday, February 03, 2019

Do you ever go back thru your research (think Thomas MacEntee's Genealogy Do-Over) and find a potential family member living nearby whom you have never researched?

Well, that happened to me when I was researching Rebekah Crawford in the tax records for Lincoln County. That's where I found John Crawford.

- 1787 Crofford John – 4 horses, 4 cattle
- 1789 Crawford John – 5 horses
- 1790 Crawford John – 4 horses
- 1791 Crawford John – 4 horses
- 1792 Crawford John – 5 horses, 17 cattle and 913 acres



The tax entry for 1795 included the watercourse for the land. John Crawford land was on Hanging Fork.

Since John Crawford wasn't listed in the same tax book as Rebekah Crawford, I assumed that his land was further West. However, a Google search for Hanging Fork Kentucky proved me wrong.



Hanging Fork Creek is straight West of Lancaster, Kentucky (county seat of Garrard County). Rebekah Crawford's land is across the Dix River to the North and slightly East of Hanging Fork Creek. Mary Crawford's land is to the Northeast of Lancaster. James and William Crawford had land transactions with the Kennedy's. The Kennedy land is in the Southeast corner of Garrard County.

John Crawford first appears in the indexes for Lincoln County, Kentucky deeds selling land. Thus, I needed to search the early Kentucky land records to find his purchase of land.

Since I recently watched the Legacy Family Tree Webinar: Finding Kentucky Land: Grants, Deeds and the Missing Pieces by J. Mark Lowe, I had some idea of where to try and find a land record for John Crawford.

To start my search, I went to the Kentucky Historical Society and used their Index for Virginia Surveys and Grants. Just above the book is the ability to enter a 'Text Search'.



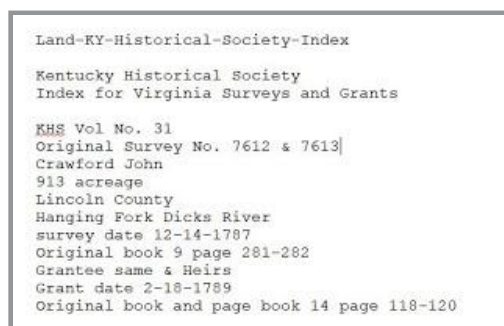
I put Crawford in the search box and hit Go. That brought changed the list of files on the right side to include the number of times CRAWFORD was found in that particular file.



Scrolling thru the list of pages, I found a page with 6 records found. In playing around, I discovered that the page would move up and down. Thus, I could use my mouse to drag the page so I could see the bottom of the page.

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By looking at the Watercourse column, I could find the information for John Crawford on Hanging Fork Creek. I recorded the information for John Crawford's 913 acres of land.



Now, I had enough information to use the records of the Kentucky Secretary of State's office. On their website, I found their page for Virginia and Old Kentucky Patent Series.



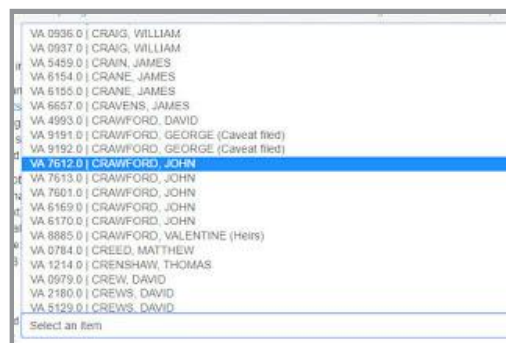
To search this collection, I first had to select a series.



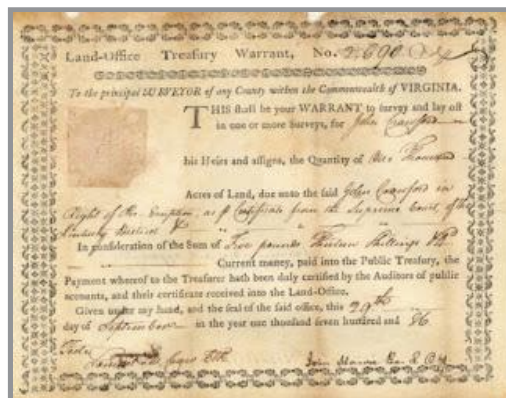
Since my index was for Virginia Survey and Grants, I selected Virginia Patents. The default sort order was patents. However, I found I could change that to name by pulling down.



Now, I could pull down the Select an Item box and scroll to John Crawford



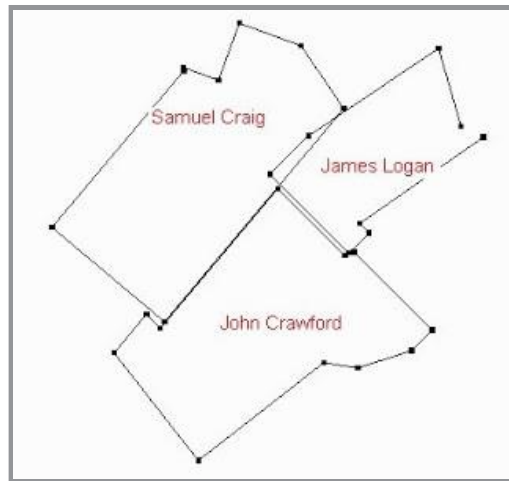
When I selected Patent # 7612 for John Crawford, the screen began to load the various images available for this patent. For John Crawford, I was able to find the Patent, Survey and entry in the grant book.



Since I wanted to try and place John Crawford's land on a current day map, I knew I would need surrounding deeds to help anchor his land to a map. Thus, I went back to the index and searched for Hanging. I found surveys for James Logan, Samuel Craig and

William Craig on Hanging Fork Creek.

I've started the process of using Deed Mapper to plot out the various pieces of land. So far, I don't have a deed referencing the Dix (Dick's) River. Thus, I don't know where these pieces of land lie on Hanging Fork Creek. In trying to figure out where this land might be in relation to the other Crawford families I've researched, I discovered that land on the West side of Hanging Fork Creek is in current Boyle County.



Since John Crawford's land straddled the creek, I will have to learn more about the records for Boyle County and add it to my list of counties to search in Kentucky.

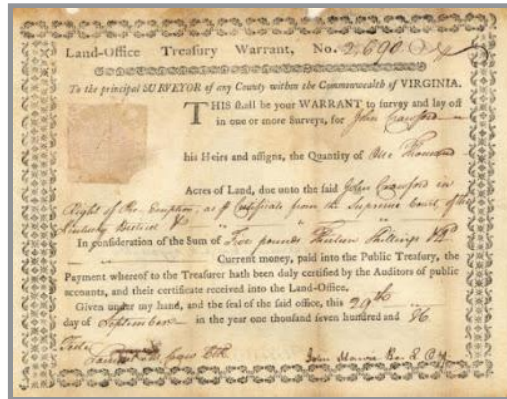
At this point, all I have is questions:

- Is John Crawford related to James and William Crawford?
- Is the John Crawford who received a Virginia patent for land the Lt. John Crawford who served during the Revolutionary War from Montgomery County, Virginia?
- Who are John Crawford's descendants?
- If John Crawford is a sibling of James and William Crawford, then who is Rebekah's husband?
- Where was Craig's settlement that was mentioned in several of these patents?

Crawford Land Patent

Monday, February 04, 2019

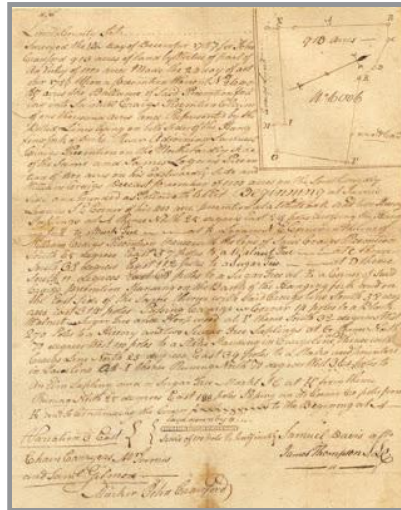
I recently found the land records for John Crawford of Lincoln County, Kentucky. He owned 913 acres of land on Hanging Fork of Dick's River.



Land-Office Treasury Warrant, No. 2690

To the principal Surveyor of any County within the Commonwealth of Virginia
This shall be your WARRANT to survey and lay off
in one or more surveys, for John Crawford
his heirs and assigns the Quantity of One thousand
acres of land, due unto the said John Crawford in
right of pre-emption as a certificate form the Supreme Court of the
Kentucky District
In consideration of the sum of five pounds thirteen shillings
current money paid into the Public Treasury the
payment whereof the Treasurer hath been duly certified by the Auditors of public
accounts, and their certificate received into the Land-Office.
Given under my hand, and the seal of the said office, this 29th
day of September in the year one thousand seven hundred and 86.

Test
Samuel M Craw Clk
John Harvie Be S O N



Lincoln County Sct Surveyed the 14 day of December 1784 for John Crawford 913 acres of land by virtue of part of an entry of 1000 acres made the 24 day of October 1786 upon a preemption warrent No 2690187 acres the ballance of said preemption falling into Samuel Craigs Preemption claim of one thousand acres and represented by the dotted lines lying on both sides of the Hanging fork of Ricks River adjoining Samuel Craigs preemption on the Northwardly side of the same and James Logans Preemption of 400 acres on his Eastwardly side and William Craigs deeds preemption of 1000 acres on the Southwardly side and bounded as follows to wit Beginning at James Logans SE Corner of his 400 acre preemption at a white oak and two Hicory saplings at A thence North 25 degrees East 218 poles crossing the Hanging fork to a beech tree on and B Logan's NE Corner in the line of William Craigs Preemption thence with the line of said Craigs Preemption south 65 degrees East 57 poles to a Walnut tree at C thence South 38 degrees East 112 poles to a Sugar Tree at D thence South 11 degrees East 68 poles to a Sugar Tree at E a corner of said Craigs Preemption standing on the bank of the Hanging fork and on the East side of the same thence with said Craigs line South 58 degrees East 314 poles passing Craigs Corner 14 poles to a Black Walnut Sugar Tree and hopwood at F thence South 32 degrees West 270 poles to a Hicory and two Sugar tree saplings at G thence North 70 degrees West 100 poles to a stake standing in Craigs line at H thence with Craigs line North 25 degrees East 39 poles to a stake and pointers in said line at I thence running North 70 degrees West 360 poles to an Elm sapling and a sugar tree Mark JC at K from thence running North 25 degrees East 188 poles passing an to corner 60 poles from K and so continuing the course to the beginning at A layd down by a scale of 100 pole to half inch Samuel Davis A [ss] James Thompson SS Chain carriers Wm James and Sam'l Gilmore

Grant BK. 14, P. 118

John Crawford
913 acres
Lincoln #7612
#7613

To all to whom these presents shall come greeting Know ye that by virtue and in consideration of a preemption Treasury warrant no 2690 issued the 29th day of September 1786 there is granted by the said Commonwealth unto John Crawford a certain tract or parcel of land containing nine hundred and thirteen acres by survey bearing date the 14th day of December 1787 lying and being in the County of Lincoln on both sides of the Hanging fork of Dicks River adjoining Samuel Craigs preemption on the northwardly side of the same & James Logans preemption of four hundred acres on the Eastwardly side and William Crag decds preemption of one thousand acres on the Southwardly side and bounded as followeth to wit Beginning at James Logans

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that the corner of his four hundred acre preemption at a white oak and two hickory saplings thence north twenty five degrees East two hundred and eighteen poles crossing the hanging fork to a beech tree Logan's north East corner in the line of William Craigs preemption thence with the line of said Craigs preemption south sixty five degrees East fifty seven poles to a walnut tree thence south thirty eight degrees East one hundred and twelve poles to a sugar tree thence south eleven degrees East sixty eight poles to a sugar tree a corner of said Craigs preemption standing on the bank of the Hanging fork and on the East side of the same thence with said Craigs line south fifty eight degrees East three hundred and fourteen poles passing Craigs corner fourteen poles to a Black Walnut sugar tree and hopwood thence south thirty two degrees West two hundred and

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Virginia Land

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John Crawford

913 Acres

Lincoln#7612 and 7613

Beverly Randolph Esquire Governor of the Commonwealth of Virginia

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Creating Buddy Files

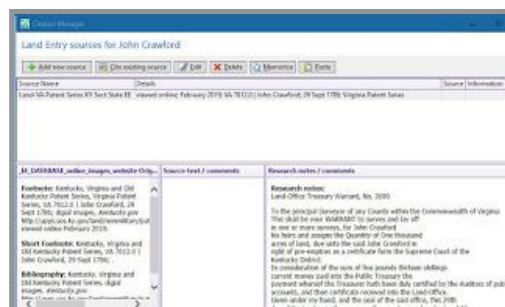
Monday, February 04, 2019

What's in your genealogy tool cabinet? Do you ever experiment with various software tools until you find one that fits your needs or thinking process?

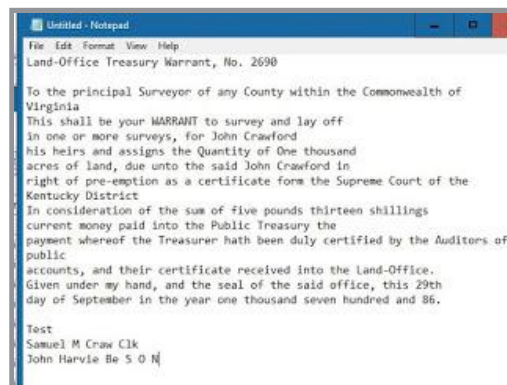
Well, I have experimented with various tools. One of those tools I'm experimenting with right now is Tony Proctor's program to create what he calls a 'Buddy File'. This is being discussed in Dear Myrtle's Facebook group. My Buddy File post describes my learning process.

At least one of the comments discussed whether the time involved in creating the text file was worth it. I have to admit that was my initial thought as Tony made his presentation last week.

Since I want to use the 'buddy file' for transcriptions, it dawned on me this morning that I likely already have the information to put in a buddy file. I just need to copy/paste into Notepad and save the file.



For example, I usually put a transcription of a record in the DETAILS section of the source in my RootsMagic software.



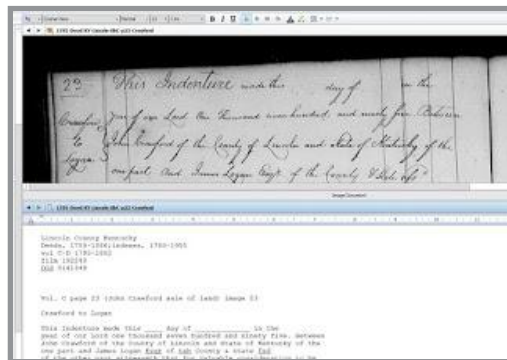
The tricky part is making sure I save the file correctly.

- same folder as image
- same name as image
- adding the META extension

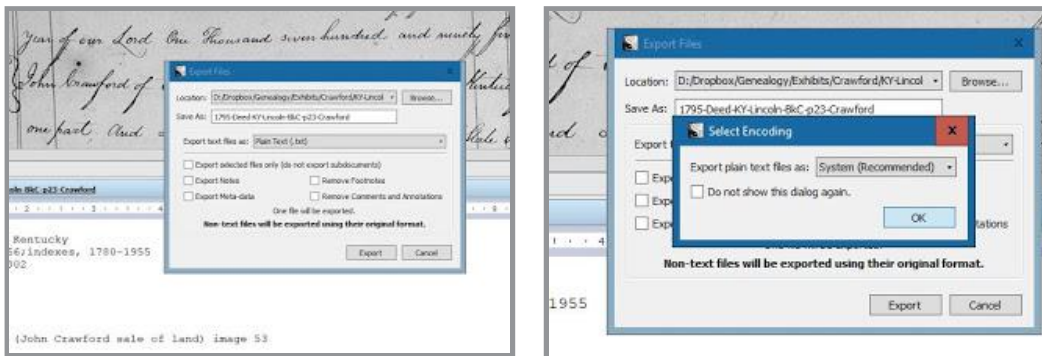
- verifying that the 'Save as type' is set to 'All Files'



Since I've started using Scrivener for both transcribing and analyzing records, it will be easy to create the corresponding buddy files. I use the split screen option to put the record on top and then transcribe into a new file in the bottom screen. I name the transcription with the exact same name as the image. [See my previous post on using Scrivener.]



I could export the transcription in a wide variety of file types, including text. Thus, I could export it as a text file into the folder of the image and then rename the file.



After completing the export, I opened Windows Explorer and located the folder and

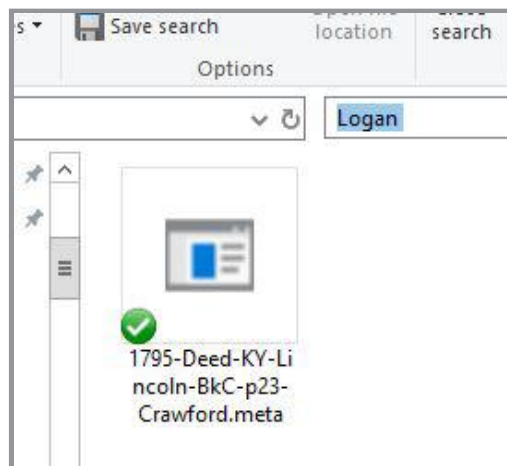
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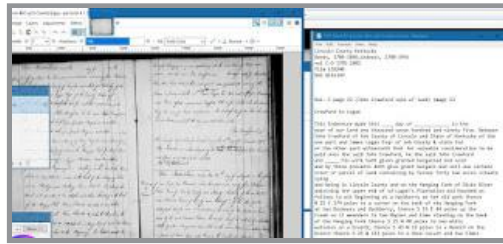
I then right-clicked on the file and removed the txt from the end of the file name and replaced it with meta. The software prompts me to verify that I want to change the ending and click YES.



Now when I search this folder for the surname LOGAN, explorer IMMEDIATELY shows me the file.



When I click on that file, it opens both the image and the text file. I have my computer set to use Paint.net for images and notepad for text files. If Paint.net is opening to full screen, I have to click on the box in the upper right corner to change it to partial screen. Then I can see Notepad open in the background. Moving the windows around, I can then see both the image and the text.



This capability will be EXTREMELY helpful with my FAN club research. The file I used for demonstration is for a land transaction between a John Crawford and a James Logan. I currently don't know how or even if John Crawford is related to my Crawford line. At this time, I have no evidence that of a relationship with any Logan family members in Kentucky or Virginia. If I do find a Crawford-Logan connection, I now have the capability of searching my files to pull up those pertaining to a Logan.

So, the moral of the story is —

If you are already transcribing documents, just copy/paste and save the transcription with the same name as the image and with the .meta extension.

Thanks Tony!

John Crawford Heirs

Tuesday, February 05, 2019

In trying to figure out who John Crawford is, I turned to deeds for some help. The Lincoln County Kentucky deed index from 1780 to 1870 [Family Search film 192237] had four entries with John Crawford listed as a grantor.

Image 47:

1795: Crawford, John grantor James Feland grantee – 264 1/2 acres vol C page 13

1795: Crawford, John grantor James Logan – 42 acres Book C page 23

1798: Crawford John Grantor Wm Gooch 130 acres Hfork book D page 26

Image 52

1842: Crawford John Hrs grantor Bashford Jon C P of A S31+29 book R page 420

1792	Crawford, John	James Feland	264 1/2 acres	vol C	page 13
1795	Crawford, John	James Logan	42 acres	Book C	page 23
1798	Crawford John	Wm Gooch	130 acres	Hfork	book D page 26
1842	Crawford John Hrs	Bashford Jon C	P of A S31+29	book R	page 420

The Power of Attorney found on page 42 of deed book R does list some heirs. Unfortunately, it doesn't explain how they might be related to John Crawford.

Unfortunately, the Family Search tree and a search of Ancestry member trees hasn't been much help in figuring out who these people are. There is a Frederick Sponseller [MJS�-3MY] whose wife is given as Harriett Ann Ellis [MJS�-39J].

Further searching of the deed index for BASHFORD revealed two more Power of Attorney deeds in Lincoln County, Kentucky. [Book W page 366-367 – image 544].

The deed on page 366 lists the following BASHFORD family members from Morrow County, Ohio as heirs:

- Joseph Bashford
- John M Bashford
- Robert C Bashford
- William Bashford
- James Bashford
- Joseph Bashford Jr
- Sarah J Bashford – signed by her guardian and mother, Margaret Bashford

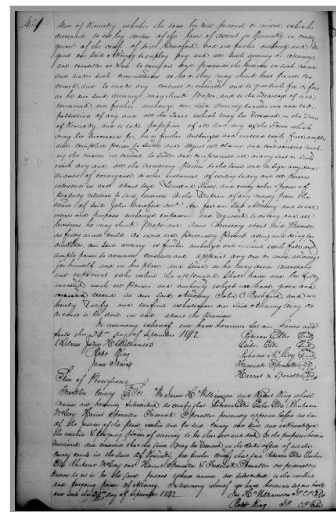
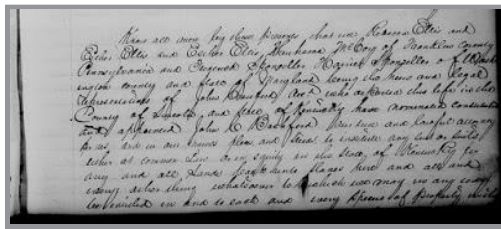
The deed on page 367 provides more information on Rhuana and Harriett

- maiden name is Ellis
- Rhuana's husband is Moses McCoy

Not only are these deeds unclear as to the relationship with John Crawford, but researchers on Family Search have not linked these families together let alone linked them to John Crawford.

These relationships are a mystery and more research is needed to figure this out.

Below is a copy of the deed from Book R page 420 and a transcription of that deed.



Lincoln County Kentucky Deeds, 1780-1866; indexes, 1780-1955

Vols. Q-R, 1839-1843 Film 192246 DGS 8338047

Book R page 42 Image 573

Know all men by these presents that we Rebecca Ellis and Escher Ellis and Ether Eillis, Rhuham McCoy of Franklin County Pennsylvania and Frederick Sponceller and Herriet Sponseller of Washington county and state of Maryland being the heirs and legal representatives of John Crawford dec'd who departed this life in the County of Lincoln and State of Kentucky have nominated consulted and appointed John C Bashford our true and lawful attorney for us and in our names, places and steads, to institute any suit or suits where as common law or in equity in the state of Kentucky for any and all lands back rents slaves here and all and every other thing whatsoever to which we may in any way be united in and to each and every species of property which

image 574 – page 421

State of Kentucky whether the same be real personal or mixed which descended to us by virtue of the law of descent in Kentucky in consequence of the death of said Crawford and we further authorize and request our said money to employ any and all such attorney or attorneys and counselor at law to carry on and prosecute the business in such name and under such circumstances as he or they may think best for all concerned and to make any contract or contracts and to give such fee or fees as he our said attorney may think proper and to the advantage of all concerned we further authorize our said attorney to [?] into and take possession of any and all the land which may be recovered in the state of Kentucky and to take possession of all and any of the slaves which may be succeeded for he is further authorized and invested with full ample and complete power to settle and adjust all claims and controversies touching the matter in contest to settle and compromise all or any suit or suits with any and all the necessary parties to the same and to sign any deed or deeds of conveyance or other instrument of writing to any and all persons interested in and about said lands and slaves, and every other species of property relative to said business orders reception of any money from the estate of said John Crawford dec'd in fact our said attorney and to all intents and purposes authorized empowered and requested to do any and all business he may think proper and deem necessary about said premises as fully as we could do were we personally present acting and doing for ourselves our said attorney is further authorized and invested with full and

ample power to nominate constitute and appoint any one or more attorneys for himself and in his place and stead as he may deem necessary and expedient who when to appointed shall have and be fully invested with all power and authority which we have given and [?] in our said attorney John P Bashford and we hereby ratify and confirm whatsoever our said attorney may do or cause to be done in and about the premises In ceremony whereof we have hereunto set our hands and seals this 24th day of September 1842

Rebecca Ellis Escher Ellis Ruhama McCoy Frederick Sponseller Harriet Sponseller

Witness James H Williamson R obt King James Irwin

State of Pennsylvania Franklin County We James H Williamson and Robert King whose names are hereunto subscribed do certify that Rebecca Ellis, Ether Ellis, Ruhama McCoy Harriet Sponseller Frederick Sponseller personally appeared before us two of the Justices of the peace [?] and for said county and state and acknowledged the [?] & foregoing power of attorney to be their act and deed for the purpose therein mentioned and consented that the same may be recorded in the clerks office of all the county courts in the state of Kentucky we further certify that said Rebecca Ellis Escher Ellis Ruhama McCoy and Harriet Sponseller & Frederick Sponseller are personally known to us to be the same persons whose names are subscribed to the [?][and foregoing power of attorney. In testimony whereof we have hereunto set our hands and seals this 24th day of September 1842 Jas H Williamson JP Robt King JP

_____ Kentucky, Lincoln County. Deeds, 1780-1866; indexes, 1780-1955. Film #192246 (DGS 8338047). John Crawford, 24 Sept 1842 R: 42 and next page (images 572 and 573); digital images, *Family Search* <http://www.familysearch.org> : viewed online February 2019.

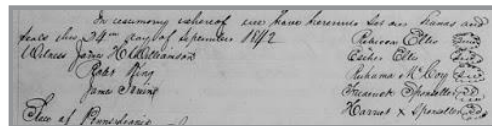
Paying Forward

Wednesday, February 06, 2019

Do you have data sitting in your genealogy files that isn't of help to you but might help others tie siblings together?

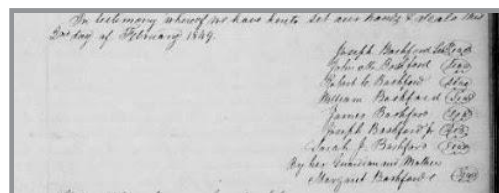
That's what I've found by researching land transactions for John Crawford in Lincoln County, Kentucky. I've found three deeds naming a Power of Attorney for heirs of John Crawford.

Page 420 of Lincoln County Deed, KY, DeedBook R identifies the following heirs in 1842



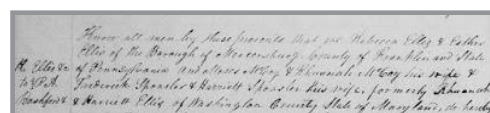
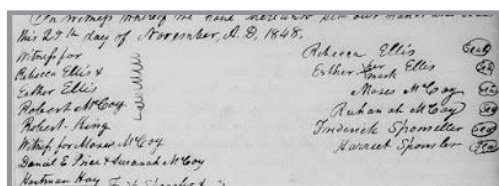
- Rebecca Ellis
- Esther Ellis
- Ruhama McCoy
- Frederick Sponseller
- Harriet Sponseller

Page 366 of Lincoln County, KY, Deed Book W identifies the following heirs for Morrow County, Ohio



- Joseph Bashford
- John M Bashford
- Robert c Bashford
- William Bashford
- James Bashford
- Joseph Bashford Jr
- Sarah J Bashford – by her guardian and mother Margaret Bashford

Page 367 of Lincoln County, KY Deed Book W provides more information regarding the Ellis heirs



- Rebecca Ellis

- Esther Ellis – Franklin County PA
- Moses McCoy & Rhuanah McCoy
- Frederick Sponsler & Herriet Sponsler his wife of Washington County MD
- Rhuanah and Harriet formerly named ELLIS

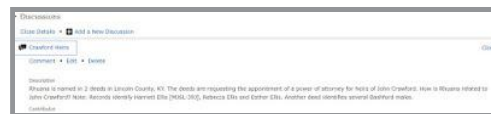
Even though I don't have much information on these individuals, I've tried to find them on the Family Search tree. I believe I found the McCoy and Sponseller families.

- Moses McCoy [MQHQ-3NS]
- Rhuana Ellis [MQHQ-322]
- Harriett Ann Ellis (1800-1886) [MJSL-39J]
- Frederick Sponseller (1795-1855) [MJSL-3MY]

I found a Bashford family that may be a match. Unfortunately, it doesn't include James, Joseph, or Sarah. However, the mother's name is Margaret [LK5L-82D]

At this point, I have no idea how these families might be related to John Crawford. Based on the families I found on Family Search, they may not even know they are related to each other.

However, I'm hoping that through Family Search, I will find someone who knows the relationship. With that purpose in mind, I attached the deeds to the appropriate families. I also added a DISCUSSION in hopes of finding out the relation to John Crawford.



I'm hoping that my sharing what I've found thru Family Search will help these families identify the family unit. I'm also hoping that a researcher of these families will be able to help me figure out who John Crawford is.

I would love for someone to find similar records for my ancestors and share them in this way!

Garrard County Tax

Thursday, February 07, 2019

Have you ever tried to figure out who is who in a community when there are multiple people of the same name?

Well, that's where I am with the Garrard County tax records from 1797-1806.

I have four Crawford families that potentially live in Garrard County during that time period.

- **James Crawford** husband of Rebecca Anderson who purchased land from Thomas Kennedy. **James'** sons were **Isaac** (?-?), **William** (1784-1864) and **James** (1790-1856)
- **William Crawford** who claimed to have purchased land from J Kennedy. His sons would not have been old enough to be listed on the tax lists while **William Crawford** was living in Garrard County.
- **James Crawford** who married Martha Knight in 1793 in Lincoln County, Kentucky. James is thought to be the son of **Rebecca Crawford**. **Rebecca** purchased land from George Douglas.
- **James Crawford** who married Sally Duggins in 1799 in Garrard County, Kentucky. **James** is thought to be the son of **Mary Crawford** who married **Alexander Moore**.

I did find four families but not the above four families.

Now, my task is to figure out who I found. Two of the families were obvious because of the land references.

- **James Crawford** on image 11 was shown with 146 acres of land on Paint Lick. The original grantor of the land was Thos Kennedy. Since I have a copy of a deed where this land was purchased and another deed for the sale of land that names Rebecca, I believe the James Crawford shown owning land on Paint Lick is the James Crawford whose wife was Rebecca.



- **William Crawford** is shown on image 12 with 1808 acres on Paint Lick. The original grantor of this land was John Kennedy. In 1795, a court case was filed between the Kennedy's and **William Crawford** over the land. I believe the **William Crawford** named in the court case is the **William Crawford** shown on the tax list in 1797.



James and **William Crawford** are in the same taxing district as the Kennedys, including Thomas Kennedy, Bazeleel Maxwell and **Alexander Moor**. Thomas Kennedy is who **James Crawford** purchased land from. Bazeleel Maxwell's wife was an Anderson. Both **James Crawford** and Bazeleel Maxwell are named in a deed from 1798 that identifies heirs of John Anderson. **Alexander Moor** is likely the **Alexander Moore** that married **Mary Crawford** in 1793.

A second **James Crawford** appears on image 41 of the 1797 tax list. This **James**

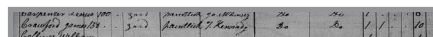
Crawford is shown with 140 acres on Sugar Creek. The original grantor for this land was identified as Jacob Myres. Since George Douglas is found on image 43 with 200 acres of land with the same original grantor (Jacob Myres), I believe this **James Crawford** to be the son of **Rebekah Crawford**.



Also found in this same set of tax records are James and William Sellers. James and William married **Mary** and **Sarah Crawford**, respectively. **Rebekah Crawford** gave permission for **Mary** and **Sarah** to marry.

Since this second **James Crawford** isn't always listed with land, I used the proximity to Douglas and Sellers family to identify this **James Crawford**.

The fourth CRAWFORD family found was in 1806. **William Crawford** is listed on the same page as the **James Crawford** who purchased land from T Kennedy. **James** had a son **William** who was born in April 1784, making him old enough to appear the tax list in 1806. Another son, **James**, was born in 1790. Thus, he could be the male over 16 listed with **James Crawford** on image 425.



Based on the above analysis, a **James Crawford** is missing. This is likely the **James Crawford** thought to be the son of **Mary Crawford Moore** and the **James Crawford** who married Sally Duggins in 1799.

James Crawford, likely husband of Martha Knight, is not found on the tax roles after 1801. [Or he disappears earlier and the **James Crawford** who married Sally Duggins is listed for a couple of years before disappearing off of the list.]

In 1799, there is a **John Crawford** listed on the same page as **James Crawford**. At this time, I have no idea who this **John Crawford** is.

After studying these tax records, there are some questions that need answered:

- Where is the missing James Crawford?
- What happened to the 140 acres of land on Sugar Creek that James Crawford is listed with?
- Where is Isaac Crawford — suspected son of James and Rebecca (Anderson) Crawford who was married in 1808 in Garrard County, KY?
- Who is the John Crawford listed on the 1799 tax list?

Garrard County Kentucky Tax Books 1797-1875

Tax Books, 1797-1799-1806
film 7988
DGS 7834436

Image 5 — 1797

Image 11

- **Crawford James** — 146 acres Paintlick Madison Thos Kennedy ditto ditto 1 male > 21, 1 male > 16, 6 horses

Image 12

- **Crawford William** 180 acres Paint Lick Garrard John Kennedy ditto Ditto – 2 males > 21, 10 horses

image 13

- Duggins Daniel – 1 male > 21, 1 horse
- Duggins William – 1 male > 21, 1 horse

image 19

- Kennedy David – 1 male > 21, 2 blacks > 16, 2 total blacks, 11 horses
- Kennedy John – 340 acres Paint Lick Madison – John Kennedy ditto Thos Kennedy 1 male > 21, 2 blacks > 16, 4 total blacks, 3 horses

Image 20

- Kennedy Thos — 300 acres Paint Lick Garrard Thos Kennedy ditto Thos Kennedy – 1 male > 21, 16 blacks > 16, 30 total blacks, 20 horses, 1 stud horse
- Kennedy Thos 400 acres Paint Lick Garrard John Kennedy ditto ditto
- Kennedy Thomas – 400 acres Paint Lick Garrard John Kennedy ditto ditto
- Kennedy Thomas – 400 acres Paint Lick – Garrard John Tate Ditto Ditto
- Kennedy Thomas – 600 acres Paint Lick Garrard James Trimble ditto ditto
- Kennedy Thomas 300 acres Dicks River Lincoln County John Kennedy ditto ditto
- Several more entries

Image 22

- Bazel Maxwell — land on Paint Lick, Silver Creek and Otter Creek

Image 23

- **Moore Alexander** – 50 acres Paint Lick – Madison – 1 male > 21, 4 horses

Image 33 — start of book 2

Image 41

- **Crawford James** 140 acres Sugar Cr Lincoln Jacob Myres DO DO – 1 male > 21, 5 horses

Image 43

- Douglas George 200 acres Boons Cr ?county is DO and above is illegible – Jacob Myres DO DO – 1 male > 21, 1 male > 16, 9 horses
- Douglas Nathan
- Douglas John

Image 58

- Sellers William – 100 acrs Sugar Garrard John Downing – ditto -ditto – 1 male > 21, 3 horses
- Sellers, James – 1 male > 21, 6 horses

- Seelers, Samuel – 1 male > 21, 3 horses
- Saller William – 304 acres boxes Cr Nelson Thos Whitledge ditto Ditto – 1 male > 21, 4 horses

Image 67 Book 3

Image 76 book 4

Image 78 — no tax list for **1798**

Image 79 – **1799**

Image 83

- **Crawford James** – 1 male > 21, 1 horse
- Douglas, Nathan 1 malr > 21, 1 black, 2 horses
- Douglas, Samuel – 1 male > 21, 1 horses
- Douglas, George – 1male > 21, 4 horses
- Dougan, Daniel – 1 male > 1, 3 horses

image 84 –

- Ellis, William
- Ellis, Joseph

Image 88

- Sellers James – 1 male > 21, 5 horses
- Sellers William 1 male > 21, 4 horses
- Sellers Samuel, 1 male > 21, 3 horses

Image 91 — book 2

Image 93

- **Crawford James** 1 male 7 horses Likely James and Rebecca (Anderson) Crawford — Kennedy's are in this group
- **Crawford John** 1 male > 21, 1 horse

Image 96

- Kennedy JOhn Senr
- Kennedy John Jr
- Kennedy THomas
- Kennedy David

Image 97

- Maxwell Bazaleel
- Maxwell Samuel
- Maxwell John Jr
- Miller Jacob

Image 102

1800

Image 117

- Kennedy family

Image 120

- Maxwell Bazel
- Miller Jacob

Image 121

- **Moor Alexander** – 50 acres Garrard Paint lick – 1 male > 21 – 3 horses
- **Moor Alexander** 50 acres Madison County Paint Lick

image 130 – start of book 2

Image 133

- **Crafford James** – 1 male > 21, 2 horses

Image 134

- Douglas, George
- Duggins Daniel

Image 144

- Sellers Wm
- Sellers James
- Sellers SamC

Image 151

1801

Image 156

- **Crawford James** – 140 Paint Lick – THos Kennedy -DO – Do – 1 male > 21, 1 male > 16, 9 horses

Image 162

- Kennedy family

Image 166

- Maxwell – various but no Bezal

Image 173

Book 2

Image 176

- **Crofford James** – 1 male > 21, 3 horses
- Douglas, George – 1 male > 21, 1 Black > 16, 2 total blacks, 4 horses

Image 177

- Duggin Daniel – 1 male > 21, 2 horses

Image 186

- Salyer Samuel
- Salyer Benjamin
- Salyer James – 100 acres Garrard County Sugar Creek Jdowning – 1 male > 21, 5 horses
- Salyer, William – 1 male > 21, 4 horses

Image 193
1802

Image 200

- **Crawford James** – 146 acres Garrard Paint Lick – T Kennedy same same – 1 male > 21, 1 Male > 16, 10 horses

Image 207

- Kennedy Family

Image 208

- Thomas Kennedy

Image 210

- **More Alexander** – 50 acres Garrard – Paint Lick – P ford same same – 1 male > 21, 2 horses
- **More Alexander** – 50 acres – Madison – Paint Lick – G Clay – same – same

Image 211

- Maxwell Bazaleel

Image 221

New Book

Image 227

- Duggins Alex – 1 male > 21, 1 horse
- Duggins Richard 1 male > 21
- Duggins Eijah – 1 male > 21, 1 horse

Image 239

- Sellers James — 100 acres Garrard Sugar Cr John Downing same same – 1 male > 21, 7 horses
- Sellers James — 200 acres Barren Nobel er Aaron Har[?] same

Image 246

1803

image 252

- **Crawford James** – 140 acres – Garrard – Paint Lick – T Kennedy – do – do – 1 male > 21, 1 Male > 16, 11 horses

Image 260

- Kennedy Thomas

image 263

- Maxwell Bezelal

Image 274

book 2

Image 292

- Sellers James 100 acres Garrard Sugar Cr J Downing same same 1 male > 21, 5 horses
- Sellers James 200 acres Barren [Mobal a] A Harting – same

Image 301

1804

Image 306

- **Crawford James** 140 acres Gard Paint Lick – 1 male > 21, 1 male > 16, 7 horses

Image 313

- Kennedy family

Image 315

- Maxwell — John and James

Image 316

- Maxwell Bazeleel
- Moor Alexander 50 acres Grrd Paint Lick Hook do do – 1 male > 21, 4 horses
- Moor Alexander 50 acres Madison

Book 2 – image 327

Image 334

- Duggins Elisabeth 117 acres Garrard Sugar Cr Walker Daniel same same 3 horses

image 350

- Sellers James – 100 acres Garrard Sugar Cr – Jno Downring same same, 1 male > 21, 6 horses
- Sellers James 200 acres Barren NHobab C Aron Haslen same

Image 358

1805

image 364 – C starts

Image 374 –

- Maxwell William and Thomas but not Bazaleel

Image 382

- Sellers James — 100 acres Garrard Sugar Cr Jas Downing same same – 1 male > 21, 6 horses
- Sellers James — 200 acres Barren Nobobl — Ason Harlin – same

Book 2 — starts image 390

Image 395

- 29 – **Crawford James** – 145 acres – Garrard – Pain – T Kennedy – same – same – 2 males > 21, 0 1 male > 16, 20 horses

Image 403

- Kennedy, Thomas

Image 406

- **Moore Alex** – 50 acres – Garrard – PLick – 1 male > 21 – 6 horses
- **Moore, Alex** – 50 acres – Madison -same –

Image 407

- Maxwell Bazaleel – 200 acres — Garrard county – PLick – J Maxwell – Same – same – 1 male > 21 – 1 male > 16 – 2 blacks > 16 – 6 total blacks – 9 horses

Image 418

1806

Image 425

- **Crawford James** 150 acres Garrd Paint Lick – T Kennedy – do – do – 1 male > 21, 1 male > 16, 10 horses – James son over 16
- **Crawford William** – 1 male > 21, 3 horses — Likely son of James Crawford on same page

Image 435

- Kennedy Thomas

Image 440

- Maxwell Bazeleel

Image 441

- **Moor Alexander** 50 acres Grrd Paint Lick – 1 male > 21 5 horses
- **Moor Alexander** 50 acres Madison Paint Lick

Image 458 start of book 2

Image 467

- Duggins Elisabeth – 117 acres – Garrard Sugar Cr – Walker Daniel – same – same – 3 horses

Image 482

- Sellers James — 100 acres Garrard Sugar Cr – Jno Downing – same – same – 1 male > 21, 6 horses
- Sellers, James – 200 acres – Barren – Nobob Cr – Aron Shanklin – same – same

Rebecca's Land

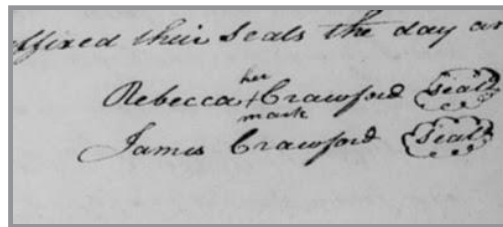
Friday, February 08, 2019

Have you ever found you have attributed a record to the wrong person? Unfortunately, with same name research that can happen too easily.

As I was transcribing deeds that I thought were for James and Rebecca (Anderson) Crawford of Garrard County, Kentucky, I began to question whether these deeds were for this James and Rebecca (Anderson) Crawford.

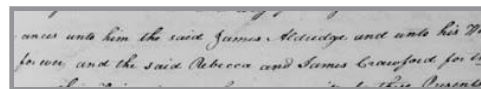
There were some clues in the deeds that should have led me to a different James Crawford.

The first clue was the signatures. Rebecca's name was above James'.



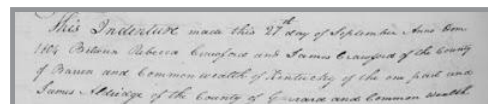
A photograph of a handwritten document showing two signatures. The first signature is 'Rebecca Crawford' with a large, ornate flourish. The second signature is 'James Crawford' also with a flourish. The word 'Seal' is written to the right of each signature.

There was another clue within the deed. Instead of saying, James Crawford and his wife, Rebecca, the deed said Rebecca and James Crawford.



A photograph of a handwritten document. The text is written in cursive and reads: 'once unto him the said James, his wife, and unto his two for use, and the said Rebecca and James Crawford for the'.

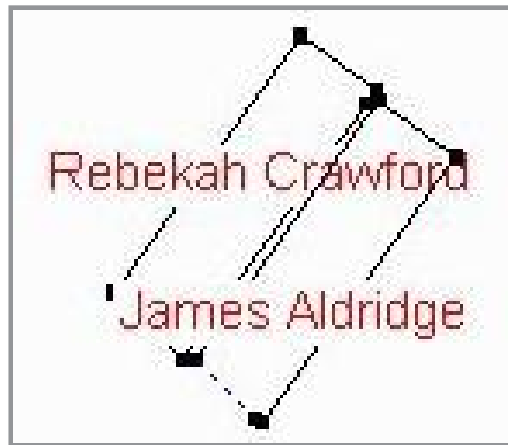
The third clue wasn't as obvious: Rebecca and James Crawford were living in Barren County, Kentucky.



A photograph of a handwritten document. The text is written in cursive and reads: 'This Indenture made this 27th day of September, 1806, between Rebecca Crawford and James Crawford of the County of Barren and Common wealth of Kentucky of the one part and James Crawford of the County of Garrard and Common wealth'.

As I was transcribing the deed, I began to wonder if this was a deed for the widow Rebecca Crawford. Based on marriage records, it has been theorized that this Rebecca Crawford was the mother of the James Crawford that married Martha Knight. James and Martha did own land in Barren County, Kentucky.

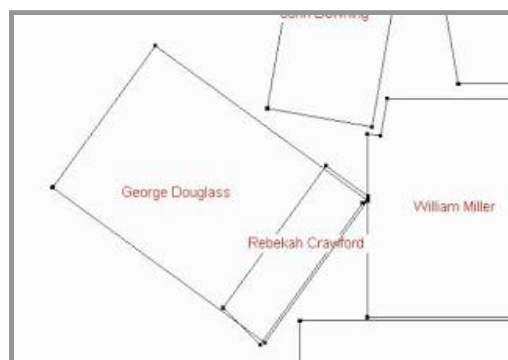
When I plotted the deed on Deed Mapper and compared it to the plot of land Rebecca Crawford purchased from George Douglas, I could lay one deed on top of the other.



Even though the deeds looked like they were for the same piece of land, there was one major discrepancy — or at least I thought there was. The Crawford to Aldridge deed referenced the Myers pre-emption. I was under the impression that the land Rebecca Crawford purchased from George Douglass was part of the Douglass survey.

So, I started searching the Lincoln County, KY grantor index for the sale of land by Jacob Myers. That's when I found that Jacob Myers sold land to George Douglass! The description of the land placed it on Sugar Creek and Boons Mill Creek matching the description of the land sold by George Douglass to Rebecca Crawford.

In Deed Mapper, Rebecca Crawford's deed can be laid over the George Douglas purchase.



Thus, I think the Garrard County Kentucky deed showing the sale of land by Rebecca and James Crawford to James Aldridge is for the same piece of land purchased by Rebecca Crawford from George Douglass. I believe this Rebecca Crawford is the widow shown in the tax records for Lincoln County, KY.

Thus, I had the deed attached to the wrong James and Rebecca Crawford!

Garrard County Kentucky
Deed book A
page 602

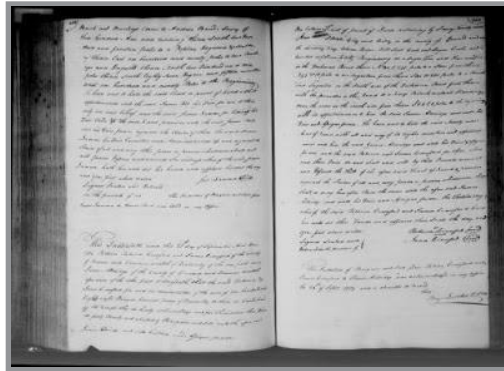
This indenture made this 27th day of September Anno Dom
1804 between Rebecca Crawford and James Crawford of the county
of Barren and Commonwealth of Kentucky of the one part and
James Aldridge of the county of Garrard and Commonwealth
aforesaid of the other part witnesseth that the said Rebecca &
James Crawford for and in consideration of the sum of one hundred an
eighty eight pounds current money of Kentucky to them in hand paid
the receipt they do hereby acknowledge and for themselves their heirs
do freely clearly and absolutely bargain and sell unto the aforesaid
James Aldridge and unto his heirs and assigns forever
One certain tract or parcel of land containing by survey ninety nine
acres situate lying and being in the county of Garrard an on
the dividing ridge between Boons Mill Seat Creek and Sugar Creek and is
bounded as follows to wit Beginning at a sugar tree and Iron Wood
on the Hickman Road thence N 36 E 240 poles to a stone from thence
N54W 70 poles to two sugar trees from thence S 35W 230 poles to a Buck
and sugar tree on the South side of the Hickman Road from thence
with the meanders on the road to a large black walnut standing
near the same on the south side from thence S 54E 6 poles to the beginning
with its appertainances to him the said James Aldridge and unto his
heirs and assigns forever. to have and to hold the said ninety nine
acres of land with all and every of its rights members and appertain
ances unto him the said James Aldridge and unto his heirs & assigns
forever and the said Rebecca and James Crawford for them selves
and their heirs do and shall and will by these presents warrant
and defend the title of the afore said tract of land & premises
against the claims of all and every person or persons whatsoever that
shall or may here after claim the same unto the afore said James
Aldridge and unto his heirs and assigns forever. In testimony
whereof the said Rebecca Crawford and James Crawford have
here unto set their hands and affixed their seals the day and
year first above written

Rebecca (her mark) Crawford seal
James Crawford seal

Signed Sealed and
delivered in the presence of

This indenture of bargain and sale from Rebecca Crawford and
James Aldridge was acknowledge din my office
the 26 of Sept 1804 and is admitted to record
Teste
Benj Letcher CeCC

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Lincoln County Kentucky
Deed Book A

Pages 225-227

page 225 (image 123)

Myers to Douglass

This Indenture made this sixteenth day of May Anno
Dom One thousand seven hundred and eighty six between
Jacob Myers of the county of Lincoln of the one part and George
Douglass of the same county of the other part Witnesseth
that the said Jacob Myers for and in Consideration of the sum
of five hundred pounds current money of Virginia to him in
hand paid the receipt whereof he doth hereby acknowledge
hath granted sold aliened [enpossed] and confirmed and by
these presents the said Jacob Myers for himself and his heirs
do freely clearly and absolutely grant sell alien [enposs] and
confirm unto the said George Douglass and unto his heirs &
assigns forever a certain tract or parcel of land con
taining by survey five hundred acres situate lying &

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being in Lincoln County on the Waters of Boons Mill Creek
and Sugar Creek, and is bounded s follows viz Beginning
at a sugar and two beech trees the South west corner of said
Jacob Myers preemption as asssignee of Edward Davis from
thence North thirty six degrees east two hundred and thirty
one poles to a beach sugar and ash trees the North west cor
ner of said pre-emption from thence south fifty four de
grees East three hundred and forty seven poles to a beech and
two sugar trees from thence south thirty six degrees west
two hundred and thirty one poles to a beach and sugar tree
from thence North fifty four degrees west three hundred &
forty seven poles to the beginning with all woods and under
woods water and water courses there unto belonging or in
any wise appertaining unto the same with the reversion &
reversions remainder and Remainders rents [isoues]

and profits of all and singular the said Land and premises
to him the said George Douglass and to his heirs and
assigns forever to have and to hold the said five
hundred acres of land (be the same more or less and all and
ever of its rites members and appertenances unto the said
George Douglass and to his heirs and assigns forever and the
said Jacob Myers for himself and his heirs do freely
clearly and absolutely give up all right title interest
claim and demand whatever he has unto the aforesaid
land and premises before mentioned unto George Douglass
and unto his heirs and assigns forever and the said Jacob
Myers for himself and his heirs do and shall and will forever
warrant and defend the title of the aforesaid five hun
dred acres of land and premises and by these presents will
forever warrant and defend the the same against any person
or persons that shall or may hereafter claim the same
unto the aforesaid George Douglass and unto his heirs and assigns

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assigns forever. In witness whereof the said Jacob
Myers hath hereunto set his hand and affixed his seal
the day and year above written.

Jacob Myers SS

Signed Sealed & delivered

in Presence of

John Bryant

William Henry

Andrew Lynam

Received this 16th day of May 1786 of Mr George
Douglass five hundred pounds current money of
Virginia. It being the full demand for the within men
tioned land and premises recd fr me

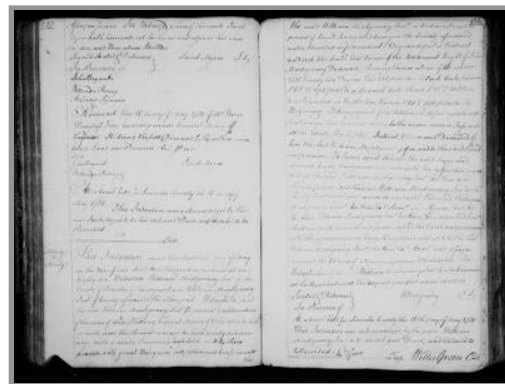
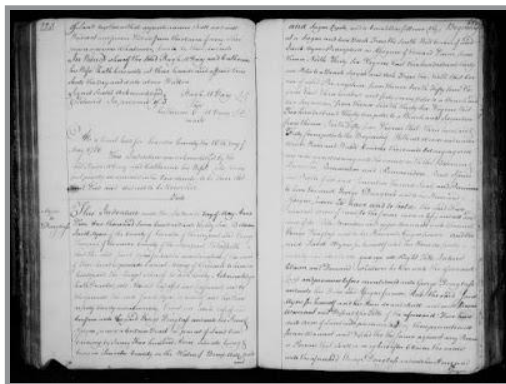
Jacob Myers

Test

John Bryant

William Henry

At a court held for Lincoln County the 16th day of
May 1786 this indenture was acknowledged by the
said Jacob Myers to be his act and deed and ordered to be
recorded



Celebrating 50 years

Saturday, February 09, 2019

Do you enjoy some of the online genealogy prompts to look at your data from a different viewpoint?

I know I do. Two of my current sources for blogging prompts are Amy Johnson Crowe's #52ancestors and Randy Seaver's #SaturdayNightGenealogyFun.

As I was working on a blog post about love, I found I have several of my ancestors who celebrated 50 years of marriage. Thus, I thought it would be fun to suggest a 'Saturday Night Genealogy Fun' challenge:

- 1) How many of your ancestors were married for FIFTY years?
- 2) What is the longest marriage in your tree?

I'm approaching my 45th wedding anniversary and my parents were married for over fifty years.

Grandparents:

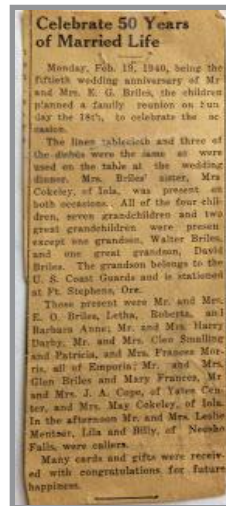
- Leon Crawford and Winnie Currey — married Dec 1919; They were married **56 years** before Leon passed away in Oct. 1976.
- Edward Osmond Briles and Pauline Mentzer were married Oct 1915. They were married 40 years when Edward passed away. Pauline never remarried.

Great Grandparents

- Judson Crawford and Josie Hammond were married Dec 1890. They were married **58 years** when Judson passed away.



- Hiram Currey and Winnie Hutchinson were married 22 years when Winnie passed away. Hiram never remarried
- Edward Grant Briles and Frances Artlissa "Artie" Ricketts were married in Feb 1890. They were married **57 years** when Artie passed away.



- Charles Mentzer and Nettie Wells were married in Oct 1893. They were married 46 years when Nettie passed away.
- 2nd Great Grandparents
- Washington Marion Crawford and Mary Foster were married in March 1860. They were married 29 years when Washington Crawford passed away. Mary Crawford never remarried.
 - Richmond Fisk Hammond and Sarah Ellen Ralston were married in Jan 1867. They were married 25 years when Sarah passed away. Richmond married Mary McClure in 1897. In 1906, Richmond married Mary Reynolds.
 - Hiram M Currey and Angelina Jane Burke were married in 1856. They were married 44 years when both Hiram and Angelina passed away.
 - Albert Hutchinson and Julia Harding were married in 1859. They were married 33 years when Julia passed away in 1892. Albert passed away in 1896.
 - Noah Briles and Sarah Thompson were married in August 1866. They were married 13 years when Noah passed away. Sarah married J. D. Davis but later divorced him.
 - James Marshall Ricketts and Rachel Christy were married Jul 1866. They were married **54 years** before James passed away in 1920. Rachel passed away 7 years later.
 - George Mentzer and Emeline Minnick were married in 1867. They were married 45 years when George passed away in 1912. Emeline never remarried.
 - Thurston Kennedy Wells and Salme Adell Crandall were married in May 1861. They were married 35 years when they both passed away. This was Thurston's second marriage after the death of his first wife, Sarah Hall.
- 3rd Great Grandparents
- Nelson G. Crawford and Martha Smith were married in 1833. They were almost married 32 years when Nelson passed away. Martha never remarried.
 - Zebulon Foster and Caroline Ostrander were married in 1833. They were married 38 years when Caroline passed away. Zebulon then married Juliet Fleming.
 - Horatio Hammond and Louisa Fisk were married in 1825. They were married 49 years when Louisa passed away in 1874. Horatio died in 1879.
 - James Barr Ralston and Nancy Jane McCormick were married in 1836. They were married **68 years** when James passed away in 1904. Nancy died three years later.
 - Hiram M. Currey married Rachel Harris in 1824. Death dates are unknown since

records cannot be found for 1850 or later.

- Henry F Burke married Elizabeth Bland in 1835. They were married 10 years when Henry passed away. Angelina may have remarried but documentation has not been found.
- William G Harding and Elizabeth Fowler were married in 1830. They were married 16 years when Elizabeth passed away. William then married Eliza Henderson.
- Alexander Briles married Sarah Rush in 1836. They were married 36 years when Sarah passed away. Alexander then married Elizabeth Ellsworth.
- William Taylor Thompson and Polly Ann Evans were married in 1842. They were married 46 years when Polly passed away in 1896. William died in 1898.
- John Lewis Ricketts and Orilda Reed were married in 1846. They were married 42 years when John passed away in 1888. Orilda died in 1900.
- Samuel Christy and Lyda Gallimore were married in 1842. They were married 22 years when Lyda passed away. Samuel then married Mariah Burk and Mary Susan Amos.
- Phillip Andrew Mentzer and Orinda Miles were married in 1816. They were married 29 years when Phillip passed away.
- John Minnick and Elizabeth Mary Jones were married before 1850. They would have been married at least 16 years when Elizabeth passed away. John then married Phebe Tripp in 1870.
- Ozias Wells and Mary Keneedy were married in 1818. They were married 14 years when Ozias passed away.
- A marriage date for Lewis Crandall and Almira Nafus is unknown at this time. Almira passed away prior to 1846 when Lewis Crandall married Anna Tuttle.

Counting my parents, I have SIX sets of ancestors married for 50 years. The longest marriage in my tree was for James Barr Ralston and Nancy Jane McCormick.

Proof Argument

Saturday, February 09, 2019

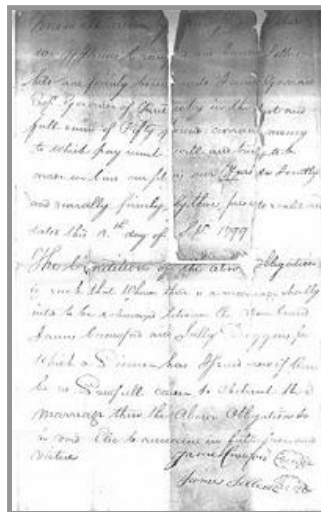
Have you ever written a proof argument for your genealogical research?

I know the Genealogical Proof Standard incorporates writing a proof argument – a soundly based conclusion that others can follow.

I try to do exhaustive research, citing the sources behind the facts attached to individuals in my tree. However, I've never written a detailed proof argument.

I'm in the middle of a lot of 'same name' research in Kentucky around 1800. To help me think through the evaluation of the records, I've been writing blog posts about this research.

One of the goals of this research is to identify parents or siblings of my ancestor, James Crawford (1772-1854) who married Sally Duggins in Garrard County, Kentucky in 1799.



Unfortunately, there is another James Crawford (1770-1833) who lived next to my ancestor in Preble County, Ohio. This James Crawford married Martha Knight in Lincoln County, Kentucky in 1793.

Living in the area at the time were several candidates for the parents of these two men.

- James Crawford (1758-1836) and his wife Rebecca Anderson lived in Garrard County, KY along the Paint Lick Creek before moving to Indiana.
- William Crawford (1748-1809) also lived along Paint Lick Creek before moving to Ste. Genevieve, Louisiana Territory.
- Mary Crawford (abt 1755 – ?) was listed as a widow on the Madison County, Kentucky tax list in 1792. She married Alexander Moore in 1793.
- Rebekah Crawford (1750- ?) was listed as a widow on the Lincoln County, Kentucky tax list in 1787.
- John Crawford (?-?) was listed in Lincoln County on the 1787 tax list for Lincoln County, Kentucky.

Other researchers have identified the children of James and William. Both families include a son named James. Both of these James Crawfords were too young to be either of the James Crawfords of Preble County. None of the records for these sons place them in the area of Preble County, Ohio. Thus, I have eliminated James and William as potential fathers.

When I started tracing records for John Crawford, I thought he might be a potential parent. However, I've uncovered several power of attorney deeds that suggest that John Crawford's land passed to heirs other than children. I need to do more research on these other families, but I don't believe John Crawford is a father to either of the James Crawfords of Preble County.

Assuming a parent was in the Lincoln, Garrard, Madison counties area at the time of their marriage, that leaves Rebekah and Mary Crawford as potential mothers.

For some time, the theory has been that Rebekah is the mother of the James Crawford who married Martha Knight. The evidence to support this theory revolves around marriage bonds.

- a Rebekah Crawford gives permission for Mary and Sarah Crawford to be married in Lincoln County, Kentucky
- Rebekah Crawford purchased land from George Douglas
- James Crawford and Martha Knight were married in Lincoln County, Kentucky
- A Nathan Douglass signed the bond for the marriage of James Crawford and Martha Knight

After reviewing some land records for Rebekah Crawford, I believe she sold her land to James Aldridge. Also listed on the deed as a grantor was James Crawford. I believe this deed supports the theory that Rebekah Crawford is the mother of a James Crawford. This deed indicates that Rebecca Crawford and James Crawford are of Barren County, Kentucky. In 1821, James and Martha Crawford of Preble County, Ohio sold land lying in Barren County, Kentucky.

Thus, I believe the James Crawford who married Martha Knight is the son of the widow Rebecca Crawford. I will continue looking for records to support OR disprove this theory.

Where Are the Sparrows?

Tuesday, February 12, 2019

Does your genealogy desk sit in front of a window? Do you find yourself looking out that window watching the birds and squirrels?

If so, then welcome to the 'genealogy bird watching club'.

My computer sits in front of a window that overlooks two of our large trees. I have feeders in those trees and at various other places in the yard. We also have a water heater in our bird bath to provide fresh water for the birds (and other wildlife).

Over the years, I've participated in Project Feeder Watch to count the birds at my feeders. Below is a picture of my bird counting 'journal' from 2006.



	1/10	1/11	1/12	1/13	1/14	1/15	1/16	1/17	1/18	1/19	1/20	1/21	1/22	1/23	1/24	1/25	1/26	1/27	1/28	1/29	1/30	1/31	2/1	2/2	2/3	2/4	2/5	2/6	2/7	2/8	2/9	2/10
Chickadee	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Goldfinch	1	1	2	3	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Junco	11	12	11	10	12	11	10	11	12	11	10	11	12	11	10	11	12	11	10	11	12	11	10	11	12	11	10	11	12	11	10	11
Sparrow	23	22	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20
House Finch	7	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
Goldfinch	12	12	13	13	13	13	13	13	13	13	13	13	13	13	13	13	13	13	13	13	13	13	13	13	13	13	13	13	13	13	13	13
Nuthatch	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Downy Woodpecker	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
White Nuthatch	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
European Starling	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Common Grackle	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
Robin	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Red-Bellied Woodpecker	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Purple Finch	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Mockingbird	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Eastern Goldfinch	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
Pigeon	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hairy Woodpecker	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Starling	24	24	24	24	24	24	24	24	24	24	24	24	24	24	24	24	24	24	24	24	24	24	24	24	24	24	24	24	24	24	24	24
Blue Jay	1	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2

For the most part, our feeders attracted the same types of birds year after year — until this year.

When I started paying attention to the types of birds after Christmas, I noticed that we didn't have any sparrows visiting our feeders. Also missing are the collared doves.

Consistent visitors to our yard this winter have been the golden finches, juncos, blue jays, nuthatches and several varieties of woodpeckers. I've also seen the hawk who has been an annual visitor to our yard during the winter.

So, what has changed?

- our bird bath moved about 20 feet to the north and now sits under our Red Bud tree instead of under a Locust tree which was cut down
- our platform feeder isn't in use this year.

I sincerely doubt that those two changes in our yard are keeping the sparrows away.

Our weather this past month has been cold, snowy and icy — which in the past meant lots of birds at our feeders.

Seeing this change in the wildlife out my office window makes me wonder what changes my pioneer ancestors faced. Did they encounter seasons when the game was scarce? Would that have caused them to move elsewhere? Are there any journals, diaries or other records talking about a lack of game?

Hopefully, this month has just been an anomaly and that the sparrows will return.

Where Is Sellers' Land?

Wednesday, February 13, 2019

Have you ever tried to document a piece of information and get frustrated because everywhere you look turns up nothing?

Well, that's how I feel right now regarding land owned by various members of the SELLERS family in early Kentucky.

My clue that they owned land comes from various tax lists. The Sellers family appears on the Lincoln County, Kentucky tax list in 1792 on images 234 and 235.

Image 234

- Sellers James – 1 male > 21; 6 horses, 10 cattle
- Sellers Samuel – 1 male > 21; 1 horse
- Sellers William – 1 male 16-21



Image 235

- Sellers Nathaniel – 1 male > 21, 1 horse, 4 cattle 100 acres
- Sellers, John 1 male over 21, 5 horses, 24 cattle, 100 acres

In 1795, the list changes with William owning 100 acres on Sugar Creek. Nathaniel and John are missing from the tax list.

Image 345

- Sellers, James – 1 male > 21, 3 horses, 14 cattle
- Sellers William 1 male > 21, 2 horses, 9 cattle Lincoln County Sugar Creek 100 acres
- Sellers Dun – 1 male > 21, 1 horse, 1 cattle



In 1798 several Sellers family members appear on the Garrard County, KY tax list.

Image 58

- Sellers William – 100 acres Sugar Garrard John Downing – ditto -ditto – 1 male > 21, 3 horses
- Sellers, James – 1 male > 21, 6 horses
- Sellers, Samuel – 1 male > 21, 3 horses
- Saller William – 304 acres boxes Cr Nelson Thos Whitledge ditto Ditto – 1 male > 21, 4 horses

Engaged

Thursday, February 14, 2019

Forty-six years

At the age of twenty, I was not looking forty-six years into my future. But it was forty-six years ago this Valentine's Day that I said yes – to Michael Philbrick.

Our engagement was announced a year later – forty-five years ago.



Miss Marcia Crawford
whose engagement to Mr. Michael Dean Philbrick has been announced by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Crawford, 2314 West Twenty-first Ave. Miss Crawford is a snior student at Kansas Stte Teachers College, where she is majoring in chemistry and is a member of Delta Zeta social sorority. She is the granddaughter of Mrs. E. O. Briles, 609 West Fifth Ave. Mr. Philbrick, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Philbrick of Phillipsburg, also is a senior student at KSTC. He is majoring in physical science.

Crawford Brick Wall Research

Friday, February 15, 2019

I've recently been going back thru my CRAWFORD research in Kentucky in hopes of finding a clue about the parents of James Crawford. This research involves at least four counties and several different families.

As I've been doing this research, I've been writing blog posts. Below is a chronological listing of those posts.

- Untangling James Crawfords – copied from 1996 version of Rootsweb site
- Getting Started (Re-Started) with Cluster / FAN Research – April 8, 2016
- Mystery of William N. Crawford – August 8, 2016
- Sellers Circle Puzzle on Ancestry DNA – April 3, 2017
- Crawford Cluster Spreadsheet (Part 1) – August 26, 2016
- Crawford Cluster Spreadsheet (Part 2) – August 26, 2016
- Crawford Research: Which James Is Which – August 24, 2017
- Land on Sugar Creek – Mary Crawford of Garrard County, KY – August 31, 2017
- Mary Crawford – Wife of Alexander Moore – Feb. 9, 2018
- Down a 'Rabbit Hole' with Deeds – Mary Crawford land – Feb. 17, 2018
- DNA Puzzle – Crawford Line – William N. Crawford – April 7, 2018
- Same Name – James Crawford – June 23, 2018
- Is It Fake News – Hugh Crawford as father of James Crawford – Jan. 6, 2019
- James Crawford of Preble County (Ohio) – Jan. 19, 2019
- Little Clues – Rev. James Crawford – Jan. 22, 2019
- Tenants in Common – James Crawford and William Sellers – Jan 23, 2019
- Perspective – Jan. 24, 2019
- Marriage Bond Mystery – Mary Crawford, Sarah Crawford, William Sellers, James Sellers, James Crawford, Martha Knight, Sarah Duggins – Jan. 25, 2019
- Tax Man Cometh – Madison County KY, 1787-1796 – Jan. 26, 2019
- Revelation – Rebekah Crawford's land in Garrard County KY – Jan. 27, 2019
- Rebekah's Land – transcription of deed – Feb 1, 2019
- Where's Rebekah? – Rebekah Crawford missing from tax roles – Feb 2, 2019
- John Crawford of Lincoln County Kentucky – Unsure of any relationship, but added to FAN Club – Feb. 3, 2019
- Crawford Land Patent – John Crawford of Lincoln County KY – Feb. 4, 2019
- John Crawford Heirs – Feb. 5, 2019
- Paying Forward – John Crawford heirs – Feb. 6, 2019
- Garrard County Tax – 1797-1806 – Feb. 7, 2019
- Rebecca's Land – James Crawford, son of Rebecca Crawford – Feb. 8, 2019
- Proof Argument – James Crawford, son of Rebecca Crawford – Feb. 9, 2019
- Where Is the Sellers' Land? – Feb. 13, 2019
- Moore Deeds – husband of Mary Crawford – Feb. 15, 2019
- Which Alexander Moore – husband of Mary Crawford – Feb. 16, 2019
- Migration Clues – Garrard County KY Tax lists 1807-1824 – Feb 17, 2019
- Reading History – Traveling Church comes to Logan's Fort – Feb 17, 2019
- Lincoln County Mystery – Lincoln County KY Tax Lists 1787-1805 – Feb 18, 2019
- Arrival in Ohio – Feb. 19, 2019

Moore Deeds

Friday, February 15, 2019

What's your 'go-to' record type to try and identify people? For me, that resource is land records.

I've recently been using land records to figure out the various Crawford families in the Garrard County, Kentucky area prior to 1820. One of those families is the widow, Mary Crawford who appears on the tax records for Madison County, Kentucky as early as 1787.

In 1793, a Mary Crawford married an Alexander Moore in Garrard County, Kentucky. I was able to use land records to show that the Mary Crawford who married Alexander Moore is the same Mary Crawford who purchased land from Richard Cave.

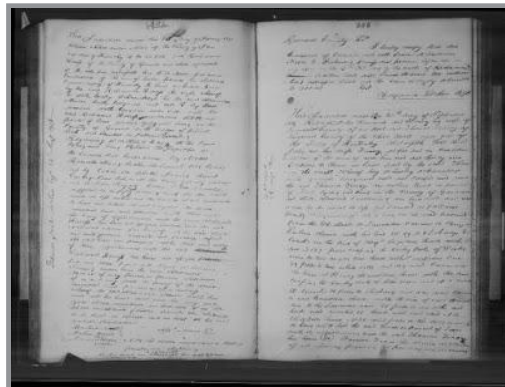
Now, I'm trying to track Alexander Moore in hopes of learning more about Mary Crawford. There are two deeds for the sale of land in 1811 that indicate that Alexander Moore was from Fleming County, Kentucky.

Garrard County Kentucky
Deeds, Vols. E-G 1814-1821
#183244
Film #8191829
Book E
page 304
image 181

This indenture made this 25th day of February 1811 between Alexander Moor of the County of Flem and state of Kentucky of the one part and Richmond Harriss of the county of Garrard and state aforesaid of the other part witnesseth that the sd Moore for and in consideration of the sum of twelve pounds ten shilling current money of Kentucky to him in hand paid by the said Richmond Harriss the right whereof he doth hereby acknowledge he the said Alexander Moore hat bargained and sealed & by these presents doth bargain and sell unto the said Richmond Harriss one certain tract or parcel of land situated lying and being in the county of garrard on the waters of paint lick and bounded as follows (to wit) Beginning at as that is to say all the land lying and being between the branches or the branch that heads down by Moses Garrards spring the other the branch that heads up by Cacks old place joining Burril Embrys land that is all the land formily belonging to John Bryant between sd two branches supposed to be fifty acres of land be the same more or less within and the bounds above mentioned to have and to hold all and singular the above mentioned land and premises with there and every of appurtenances unto the same Richmond Harriss his heirs and assigns forever and the said Alexander Moore for himself and his heir shall and will forever warrant and forever defend the said land and premises with these and every of there appurtenances unto the said Richmond Harriss his heirs and assigns free and clear forever all claim or claims claiming under him the said Alexander Moore of any person or persons whatsoever of in as to any pert or parcel of the above mentioned land premises. In witness whereof the said Alexander Moore hath here unto set his hand and seal the day and year above mentioned in presents of us the above mentioned sd twelve pound ten shillings to be paid in aliense and in trust as his seal value from [a?]

Alex Moore
Walker West

John Harris
James Harris



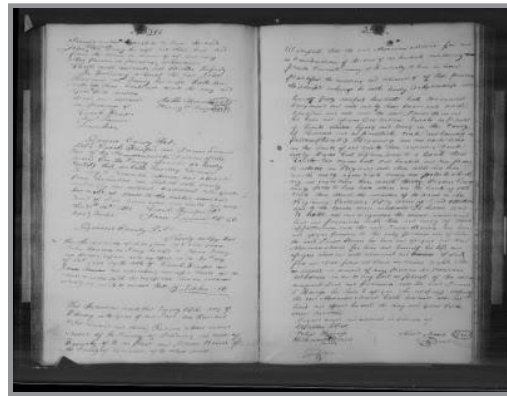
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Garrard County KY
Book E
Page 306 – image 182

This indenture made this twenty fifth day of February in the year of our lord one thousand eight hundred and eleven between Alexander Moore of the County of Fleming and state of Kentucky of the one part and James Harris of the County of Garrard of the other part. Witnesseth that the said Alexander Moore for and in consideration of the sum of one hundred and twenty pounds current money of Kentucky to him in hand paid before the executing and delivering of these presents the receipt whereof he doth hereby acknowledge and himself fully satisfied these with hath covenanted bargained and sold and by these presents doth bargain and sell unto the said James Harris his heirs and assigns one certain tract or parcel of land situate lying and being in the county of Garrard and on Paint lick creek and bounded as follows (to wit) Beginning an two beech trees on the bank of said creek then running south sixty degrees East fifteen poles to a buck then south two degrees east one hundred and ten poles to a stake in Bryants line then with his line south sixty degrees east twenty two poles to a hickory and sugar trees thence north thirty degrees east ninety poles to two base elders on the bank of said creek then down the meanders of the same to the beginning containing fifty acres of land within and to the bounds above mentioned to have and to hold all and singular the above mentioned land and premises with their and every of them appurtenances unto the said James Harris his heirs and assigns forever to the only proper use of him the said James Harris his heirs and assigns and the sd Alexander Moore for him and himself his heirs and assigns shall and will warrant defend free and clear from all claim or claims right title interest or demand of any person or persons whatever in or to any part or parcel of the above mentioned land and premises unto the said James Harris his heirs & assigns in witness whereof the said Alexander Moore hath here unto set his hand and affixed his seal the day and year first above written.

Alexr Moore (seal)

Signed sealed and delivered in the presents of
Walker West

John Harris
Richmond Harris



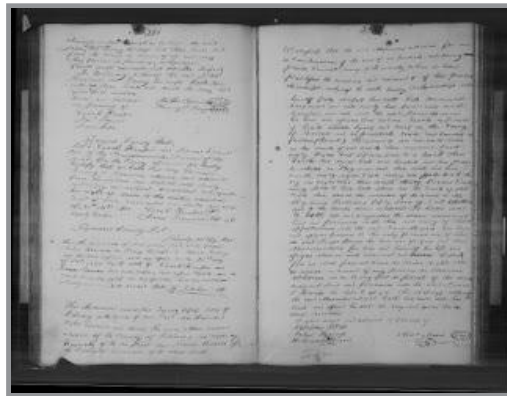
Which Alexander Moore

Saturday, February 16, 2019

Do you ever check other people's trees to see what they have on someone you are researching? I know I do. I check them for hints. I also check them to see if my work supports their conclusions.

I'm in the position of needing hints from others in my research of Mary Crawford, wife of Alexander Moore.

1811 Garrard County Kentucky Land records indicate that Alexander Moore moved from the Garrard County area of Kentucky to Fleming County. (Garrard County, Kentucky, Deed Book E, page 306). Since Mary doesn't sign the deed and isn't mentioned in the body of the deed, there isn't evidence that Mary was in Fleming County, Kentucky



In Fleming County, Kentucky, I have found Alexander Moore on tax lists showing he owned land on Triplett Creek in 1811. In 1821, Alexr Moore is shown also owning land in Greenup County.

Census records place an Alexander Moor in Fleming County, KY from 1810 thru 1850. In 1810, the family consists of 1 male 26-44, 2 females under 10 and 1 female over 45. If this is the same Alexander Moore from Garrard County, KY, then the female over 45 might be Mary Crawford.

In 1820, the family dynamic changes for Alexander Moore. Instead of two female children, there is a male between 10 and 15 and a female under 10. The household contains a male 45 and over and a female 45 and over.

By 1830, it appears that the adult female shown in the 1820 census may have died. The family now includes a male under 5, a female under 5, a female 20 thru 29 and a male 60 thru 69.

The family continued to grow. The 1840 census indicates the family consisted of a male 5 thru 9, a male 10 thru 14, a male 70 thru 79, 3 females under 5, 1 female 5 thru 9, 2 females 10 thru 14 and a female 30 thru 39.

Alexander Moore is still living when the 1850 census was taken. He is shown as an 82 year old male on the 1850 census. Included in the household is Elender, age 40; James,

age 17; Elender, age 14; Miram, age 11, Mecthe, age 8 and Dorothy, age 4.

A search of Ancestry for a marriage of Alexander Moore in Fleming County, Kentucky shows an 1826 marriage to Eleanor Wood. This marriage fits the information from the census:

- marriage date is between 1820 when the adult female was over 45 and 1830 when the adult female was 20 thru 29
- the name Elender on the 1850 census could be Eleanor

My research of land records, tax lists and the census, leave me with questions:

- Was Mary Crawford deceased in 1811 since her name isn't on any of the deeds for the sale of land?
- Is the Alexander Moore shown in the tax lists and census records of Fleming County, KY the same Alexander Moore who sold land in Garrard County, KY?
- Is the female over 45 in the 1810 and 1820 census for Alexander Moore in Fleming County, KY Mary Crawford?
- If Mary Crawford is the female in Alexander Moore's household, did she die in Fleming County, KY between 1820 and 1826?

Thus, I'm turning to other trees to see what I can learn about Alexander Moore and Mary Crawford. Unfortunately, there are several different trees that could tie into this research.

- On Family Search: Alexander Moore (1757-1827) [947N-XFM] and Mary Crawford (1778-1829) [KZ6M-SR5] This couple in Family Search has the Madison County, KY marriage record from 1793 attached as a source.
- This Alexander Moore is said to have died in Marengo County, Alabama. So far, I haven't found any record tying Alexander Moore of Madison/Garrard Counties, Kentucky to an Alexander Moore in Alabama. Instead, the land records suggest the couple moved to Fleming County, KY
- This Mary Moore is too young to have appeared on the tax lists in 1787 in Madison County, KY
- On Ancestry: Alexander Moore (1778-1852) and Eleanor Wood (1807-1856). In these trees, Alexander Moore dies in Owen County, Kentucky. An 1850 census record for Owen County, Kentucky is also cited. At this time, I have no records tying the Alexander Moore of Fleming County to an Alexander Moore in Owen County, KY
- The 1850 census record does not include Eleanor even though the tree has her living past 1850.
- On Family Search: Alexander Moore (1768-deceased) [KZQY-YSR] and Eleanor Wood (1805-deceased) [KNSB-XFZ] and a similar tree on Ancestry Ancestry tree includes the 1810 and 1820 census records as sources for Alexander Moore
- Neither tree shows a second wife for Alexander Moore

Since none of the above trees 'match' the data I've collected on Alexander Moore prior to 1825, I'm not sure they will be of much help. However, I am going to contact the tree owners to see if they might have any clues to prove/disprove a relationship to Mary Crawford.

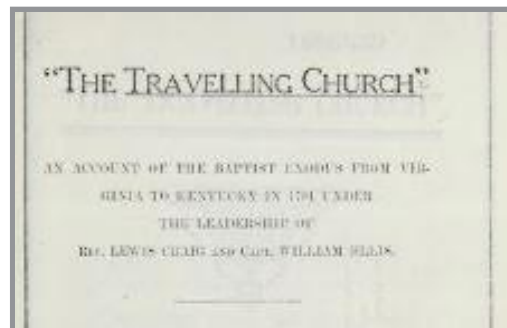
Reading History

Sunday, February 17, 2019

In your genealogy research, have you read the historical accounts?

Even though the experts recommend 'knowing' the history of a location, I have only skimmed county histories looking for my family name. I've never seriously read the history – until last night.

Last night, I read the book, *The Travelling Church: An Account of the Baptist Exodus from Virginia to Kentucky in 1781 under the Leadership of Rev. Lewis Craig and Capt. William Ellis* on Internet Archive. This book is about an ENTIRE church community packing up and leaving Spottsylvania County, Virginia for Logan's Fort in Kentucky.



I didn't find mention of the Crawford family in this book. I have clues suggesting my Crawford line came from Montgomery or Augusta Counties, Virginia – not Spottsylvania County. I have clues suggesting the Crawfords were Presbyterian – not Baptist.

Even though I did not find my family in this book, I learned a great deal by reading it.

- Prior to the revolution, only ministers of the Episcopal (state church) were free to preach in Virginia. Pastors of other denominations, like Baptists and Presbyterians, were required to obtain a license. The group of Baptists that migrated to Kentucky were "Seperate Baptists". They refused to obtain the license and some of them were jailed for preaching without a license.
- Although they started out with wagons, they gave up those wagons at Fort Chiswell. The rest of the journey over the mountains was made on foot. Their supplies and young children were carried by pack horses or on the shoulders of the Negro slaves in the group.
- Even though they planned to be in Kentucky before winter set in, they were delayed due to Indian activities along the trail. Thus, this 'travelling church' left Abingdon in November to follow the Wilderness Road across the Cumberland Gap into Kentucky
- Salt was a precious commodity
- They established Craig's Station. Craig's station is South of where Mary Crawford purchased land and West of the Kennedy land where James Crawford settled.

I've learned that the experts are correct. I need to read the histories. Thus, I'm searching for more digital copies about the history of early Kentucky. I'm also hoping our snowy weather will come to an end so I can plan a trip to the Midwest Genealogy Center where I can read to my hearts content.

Migration Clues

Sunday, February 17, 2019

Have you used city directories to help locate a person between census years? Although I'm not finding as much detail in tax lists, I am finding that they help track migration in the early 1800s.

I've been doing FAN club research in early Kentucky. So far, I've been concentrating on the area that became Garrard County. Because of changing county boundaries, I've searched tax lists for Madison, Garrard and Lincoln counties.

- Tax Man Cometh – Madison County, KY 1787-1796
- Garrard County Tax – 1797-1806
- Lincoln County Taxes

Since I've identified the Crawford land holdings during this time period. I'm now searching the Garrard County tax lists from 1807 to 1824 to identify the time period when the various families moved away.

Families that could potentially be in Garrard County between 1807 and 1824

- Rebekah Crawford – owned land between Sugar Creek and Boone's Mill Creek
- James Crawford, husband of Martha Knight and likely son of Rebekah Crawford
- James Sellers, husband of Mary Crawford (likely daughter of Rebekah Crawford)
- William Sellers, husband of Sarah Crawford (likely daughter of Rebekah Crawford)
- Alexander Moore, husband of Mary Crawford – owned land on Sugar Creek and on Paint Lick Creek
- James Crawford, husband of Sally Duggins
- James Crawford, husband of Rebecca Anderson — owned land on Paint Lick Creek
- William Crawford – owned land on Paint Lick Creek

I was able to find the following families:

- James Crawford with land on Paint Lick in 1807, 1808, 1809
- William and Isaac Crawford in 1809
- Two Isaac Croffords listed in 1810
- Isaac Crawford in 1811
- Alexander Moore with land on Paint Lick in 1807
- James Sellers with 100 acres on Sugar Creek in 1807, 1808, 1810-1817
- James Sellers with 148 acres on Sugar Creek in 1821, 1823, and 1824
- Wm S[?] with 100 acres on sugar Creek purchased from Downing in 1819
- James Sellers with land in Barren County in 1807

The William and Isaac Crawford in the 1809 tax list could be the sons of the James Crawford who owned land on Paint Lick. However, I can't explain two individuals named Isaac Crawford at that time.

Since I believe most of these families move away from Garrard County, this tax information helps me know approximately when they made the move. For example, I've already found records for Alexander Moore in Fleming County, KY by 1810. With this tax information, I now know that I should look for records for Alexander Moore in Fleming County starting in 1808.

Thus, my next steps should include:

- Locating records for James Crawford in Indiana starting in 1810

- Check Barren County records for James Sellers between 1817 and 1821
- Continue looking for James Sellers in the Garrard County, KY tax lists
- Research Isaac Crawford in Indiana to see if I can verify that he is the son of James Crawford
- Research William Crawford in Missouri to see if I can verify that he is the son of James Crawford
- Figure out who that second Isaac Crawford might be
- Continue searching for court records, bonds or any other type of record to verify that James Seller owned land in Garrard County
- Continue searching for records for the sale of land by James Sellers

Notes from the Garrard County, KY tax lists

Garrard County Kentucky Tax Books 1807-1824 Family Search Film 7989 DGS 7834437
1807

Image 11

Crawford Ja	146	do	do	Tho Kennedy	same	same	1 white male	>
							21, 1 white male	16-21 - 8 horses

- **Crawford Ja** – 146 acres – do – do – Tho Kennedy – same- same – 1 white male > 21, 1 white male 16-21 – 8 horses
- Crawford Wm – no land shown – 1 male > 21, 3 horses

Image 29 – M

Image 31

Moore Alexr	50	Garrard	Paint Lick	1 male	>	21	4 horses
Moore Alexr	50	Madison	Paint Lick				

- **Moore Alexr** – 50 acres Garrard – Paint Lick – 1 male > 21 – 4 horses
- **Moore Alexr** – 50 acres Madison – Paint Lick

Image 38 – S

- NO SELLERS

Image 46 – #2

Image 53 – C

Image 55

- Douglas Nathan – 60 acres Garrard Sugar Jas Downing – same -same 1 male > 21 – 1 black – 5 horses

Image 73

Sellers James	100	Garrard	Sugar	Jno Downing	same	same	1 male	>
							21 - 5 horses	
Sellers James	200	Barren	Noboble	Aron Harlin	sme			

- **Sellers James** – 100 acres Garrard – Sugar – Jno Downing – same – same – 1 male > 21 – 5 horses
- **Sellers James** — 200 acres Barren – Noboble – Aron Harlin – sme –

Image 82 – 1808

Image 88

- **James Crawford** – 146 acres Garrard Pt Lick t Kennedy – same – same – 1 male > 21, 1 male 16-21 6 horses
- Wm Crawford – no land given 1 male > 21, 3 horses

Image 91

- Alexr Duggins – noe land 1 male – 1 horse

Image 97

- Kennedy families

images 99-101

- No Alexander Moore

Images 105-107

- No SELLERS

image 113 — book 2

Image 118 – C

Image 120

- Doulgas Nathan – 60 acres Garrard Sugar C – Wm Miller – same – same – 1 mal > 21 – 1 black over 16 – 1 total black – 6 horses

Image 129 – M

- No Alexander Moore

Image 138 – S

- **Sellers James** – 100 acres – Garrard – Sugar C – Jno Downing – same – same – 1 male – 6 horses

Image 146 – 1809

Image 153 -C

- **Crawford Jas** – 146 acres Garrard Paint Lick Thos Kennedy – do – do – 1 male > 21 – 6 horses
- Crawford Wm – 1 male > 21, 2 horses
- Crawford Isaac – 1 male > 21, 2 horses

Image 160

- Kennedy family

Image 163-164

- No Alexander Moore

Image 169-170 – S

Image 177 – Book 2
Image 181 – C
Image 189- M

- No Alexander Moore

Image 195 – S

Image 197 –

- Dunor Sallers – 1 male > 21, 4 horses

Image 203 –

1810
Image 214 – C
Image 216



- Crofford Isaac — 1 male > 21, 2 horses
- Crofford Issac – 1 male > 21, 2 horses

Image 217

- Douglas Nathaniel 60 acres Garrard Sugar Creek – 1 male > 21, 2 blacks > 16, 4 total blacks, 6 horses


Image 230

- Kennedy family

image 233 – M

- No Alexander Moore

Index 245 – S



- **Sellers James** – 100 acres Garrard – Sugar Creek – Jno Downing – same – same – 1 male > 21, 7 horses

Image 260 **1811**
Image 271 – C

Image 272



- Isaac Crawford – 1 male > 21, 1 black > 16, 1 total black, 2 horses

Image 274

- Nathan Douglas – 60 acres – Garrard County – Sugar Cr – 1 male > 21, 2 blacks > 16, 4 total Blacks, 6 horses

Image 288 – M

- No Alexander Moore

Image 298 – S
Image 299 –

- **J ames Sellers** — 100 acres – same (Garrard) – same (Sugar Cr) – 1 male > 21, 6 horses

Image 310 **1812**
IMage 318 – C

- No Crawford

Image 321

- Nathan Douglas – 60 acres – Garrard – Sugar Cr – 1 male > 21, 2 blacks > 16, 5 total blacks, 6 horses

Image 332

- Kennedy

Image 334 – M

- No Alexander Moore

Image 345 – S



- **James Sellers** — 100 acres – Garrard – Sugar Creek – Wm Downing – same – same – 1 male > 21, 6 horses

Image 355 – missed people

Image 358 – **1813**
Image 363 – C

- No Crawford
- No Douglas

Image 371 M

- NO Alexander Moore

Image 376 – S
Image 378



- **James Sellers** – 100 acres – Garrard – Sugar Creek – Jno Downing – same – same – 1 male > 21, 7 horses

image 381 book 2

Image 381 – C –

- No Crawford

Image 381 –

- Nathan Douglas – 60 acres – Garrard – Boons Cr – 1 male > 21, 2 blacks > 16, 6 total blacks, 6 horses

Image 384 book 3

Image 387 – C

- No Crawford

Image 394 –

- Kennedy Family

Image 401 – S

Image 409 – **1814**

Image 419 – C

- NO Crawford

Image 421 – D

Image 422 –

- Nathan Douglas – 60 acres – Garrard – Sugar Creek – 1 male > 21, 2 blacks > 16, 6 total blacks, 5 horses

Image 434 –

- Kennedy family

Image 448 – S



- **James Sellers** — 100 acres – Garrard – Sugar Cr – J Downing – same – same – 1 male > 21, 6 horses

Image 461 – **1815**

Image 473 – C

- No Crawford

Image 476 – D

Image 477

- Nathan Douglass – 1 male > 21, 2 blacks > 16, 6 total blacks – 5 horses – ONLY QUOTES IN LAND SECTION – No Number of Acres

Image 508 – S

- Michael Saller (or Salter) 150 acres – same – Sugar Ck – Saint Clair – 1 male > 21 –

8 total blacks, 4 horses
Image 509

- Wm Saller (or Sutton) – 1 male > 21, 1 horse
- James Saller (or Sutton) 1 male > 21, 1 horse

Image 510



James Sellers – 100 acres – Garrard – Sugar Ck – Downing – same – Same – 1 male > 21, 7 horses

Image 522 – **1816**

Image 532 – C

- No Crawford

Image 534 – D

Image 546 – K

Image 547 –

- Kennedy family

Image 561 – S

Image 562 –



- **James Sellers** – 104 1/2 acres – Garrard – Sugar Ck – Downing – same – same – 1 male > 21, 1 black > 16, 1 total black, 8 horses

Image 576 – **1817**

Image 587 – C

Image 590 – D

Image 591

- Nathan Douglas – 78 3/4 acres Garrard – Gilliards – Harrod – same – same – 1 male > 21, 1 black > 16, 5 total blacks, 5 horses

Image 604 –

- Kennedy family

Image 617 – S

Image 619



169

male over 21, 1 black over 16, 5 total blacks, 5 horses
Image 790 – M

- No Alexander Moore

Image 806 – S

- No Sellers

Image 822 – **1821**

Image 833 – C

- NO Crawford

Image 837 – D

Image 837

- Samuel Douglas – 1 male > 21, 1 horse
- Nathan Douglas – 78 3/4 acres – Garrard – Gilberts C – Craig – same – same – 1 male > 21, 1 black > 16, 5 total blacks, 5 horses
- William Douglas – 1 male > 21, 1 horse

Image 854 – M

- NO Alexander Moore

Image 867 – S
Image 868



- **James Sellers** – 148 Garrard – Sugar Creek – Downing – same – same – 2 males over 21, 8 horses

image 882 – **1822**
image 892 – C

- No Crawford

Image 895 – D

- William Douglas – 1 male > 21, 20 horses
- Nathan Douglas 78 3/4 acres Garrard – Gilberts Ck – Criag – same – same – 1 male > 21, 1 black over 16, 5 total blacks, 4 horses

Image 923 – S



- John Sellars – 1 male > 21, 2 horses
- bottom 3 names illegible

image 924 –

- no Sellars – bottom 10 names illegible

image 925 –

- no Sellars – bottom 8 names illegible

Image 926 –

- No Sellers – bottom 3 names illegible / others hard to read

Image 937 **1823**

Image 950 – C

- No Crawford – but some names very faint

Image 954 – D

Image 955

- Nathan Douglass 78 – Garrard – Gilberts – Craig – “ – “ 1 male > 21, 1 black male > 16, 5 total blacks, 4 horses
- William Douglass – 1 male > 16, 3 horses

Image 991 – S

Image 993 – faded

Image 994 –



- John Sellers – 1 male > 21, 2 horses
- **James Sellers** – 148 acres Garrard – Sugar Cr – Downing – 2 males > 21, 4 horses

Image 1009 **1824**

Image 1020 – C

Image 1024 – D

- Nathan Douglass – 78 3/4 – Garrard – Gilbert's Ck – Craig – same – same – 1 male > 21, 1 black > 16, 5 total blacks, 3 horses

Image 1061 – S

Image 1062



- **James Sellers** – 148 (or 168) acres – Garrard – Sugar Cr – Downing – same – same – 2 males > 21, 1 black > 16, 1 total black, 6 horses

Big Tree Same Name Issues

Monday, February 18, 2019

Do you have 'same name' issues in your genealogy research? I know I have them in mine:

- Hiram Currey
- Noah Briles
- James Crawford
- William Thompson

Thus, I'm a little sensitive when computer algorithms merge them together.

I first encountered this with Ancestry's One World Tree when my James Crawford research was merged into one profile.

Recently, Randy Seaver has been writing about Ancestry issues. His recent post, A Reader's Take on Ancestry Problems, Part IV: The Ancestry Big Tree discusses what he has learned about Ancestry's Big Tree. Randy also discussed the Ancestry Big Tree on today's session of Monday's with Myrt.

I evidently browsed thru Randy's post since I didn't pick up on the Google search aspect. However, when Randy demonstrated a Google search on Monday's with Myrt, I started wondering how the Big Tree would handle my same name issues.

Thus, I started searching.

My first search was for my ancestor, James Crawford. James was born about 1772 in Virginia and died in 1854 in Preble County, Ohio. I was pleased when I found his profile – without any of the other James Crawfords mixed in.



I then tried to find James' neighbor, James Crawford. This James Crawford was born about 1770 in Virginia and died in 1833 in Warren County, Indiana. This James (1770-1833) was married to Martha Knight. My search for 'James Crawford 1770-1833 ancestry' did not pull up the Ancestry page on the first 3 pages of results. A search for 'Martha Knight 1773-1842 ancestry' did pull up the family. Again, I was pleased that the family wasn't merged with another James Crawford. However, I am puzzled as to why the James Crawford search was not successful.



Having success, I then tried to locate James Crawford (1758-1836). This James Crawford died in Jefferson County, Indiana. He married Rebecca Anderson Maxwell. DAR applications have confused records for this James Crawford with James Crawford (1757-1836) of Fleming County, Kentucky.

The Fleming County James was married to Sarah Vansant. Thus, I expected a search for James Crawford 1758-1836 to possibly pull up both James Crawfords. However, I was surprised when the Indiana James Crawford was merged with Rev. James Crawford of Lexington, KY.



When I did a search for 'James Crawford 1757-1836 Ancestry', I did not find a link to Ancestry's Big Tree of the first few pages of results. I then tried searching for his wife, Sarah Vansant. I tried various spellings of her surname: Vansant, Vansandt, Van Sant, Vanzandt. None of my searches for her resulted in a link to the Ancestry Big Tree.

From my test of Google searches for members of the Ancestry Big Tree, I am concluding

- There are still issues with individuals of the same name being merged together.
- That searching for a spouse or child might be required to locate someone in the Ancestry Big Tree.
- Not everyone is included in the Ancestry Big Tree.
- My Ancestor has not been merged with his neighbor and is included in the Ancestry Big Tree!

I then looked at my Heartland Genealogy tree in Ancestry for each of these families. I discovered that I have Ancestry sources for my ancestor, but only have 'other sources' for the other James Crawford families.

Thank you Randy Seaver for inquiring about a 'Big Tree' and for sharing what you've learned!

Lincoln County Mystery

Monday, February 18, 2019

Do you have same name issues in your genealogy research? Or, do you have 'mystery men' of the same surname in the same location as your ancestor?

That's what happened when I looked at the Lincoln County, Kentucky tax lists for 1787-1805.

I had found Lincoln County KY marriage bonds where Rebekah Crawford gave permission for Mary Crawford to marry James Sellers and Sarah Crawford to marry William David Sellers. Another marriage bond secured by Nathan Douglas and James Crawford for the marriage of James Crawford and Martha Knight was found in Lincoln County, KY records.

Thus, I was expecting to find the following:

- Sellers family
- Rebekah Crawford
- George Douglass — who sold land to Rebekah Crawford and may be her brother
- Nathan Douglass — who signed the bond for James Crawford
- James Crawford — who is believed to have turned 21 in 1792

I was not expecting to find:

- John Crofford
- Alexander Crofford
- William Crafort on Richland Creek
- James Crawford on Rolling Forks
- Robert Crawford on Hanging Fork
- Ellis Richard (and other Ellis families) on Noland Fork

I've been able to locate land records for John Crofford. By following the land records, it appears that John Crofford may not have had any offspring. The land records contain powers of attorney for Ellis family members – which might help me locate information on Richard, James and Isaac Ellis.

These unexpected finds will require additional research but may provide clues to my Crawford lineage.

My notes from the Lincoln County, Kentucky tax lists:

Lincoln County Kentucky Tax Books 1787-1788, 1790-1797, 1799-1805 Film 8114DGS 7834472

Image 41787

Image 5



- Crofford John – 4 horses, 4 cattle

Image 9

Image 98

- Sellers Nathaniel – 1 male >16; 3 horses – LIKELY THE SON WHO MOVES TO OHIO
- Sellers Joseph — 1 horse
- Sellers James — 2 horses
- Sellers John — 5 horses

#5 Books

Image 104

April 10	Christiana	1	2
10	Christiana	1	2
5	Christiana	1	2
5	Christiana	1	2
41	Christiana	1	2
April 10	Christiana	1	2

- Crofford Alexander – 9 horses
- Douglass Alexander – 4 horses

Image 115 #6

Image 117

April 10	Christiana	1	2
10	Christiana	1	2
5	Christiana	1	2
5	Christiana	1	2
41	Christiana	1	2
April 10	Christiana	1	2

- Crawford John – 5 horses

1790 — image 125

Image 128 April 21

April 10	Christiana	1	2
10	Christiana	1	2
5	Christiana	1	2
5	Christiana	1	2
41	Christiana	1	2
April 10	Christiana	1	2

- Crawford John – 4 horses

Image 129 Aug 2

- Duggins Wm — 2 horses

Image 140

April 10	Christiana	1	2
10	Christiana	1	2
5	Christiana	1	2
5	Christiana	1	2
41	Christiana	1	2
April 10	Christiana	1	2

- Crofford James — James Crofford — 3 horses

Image 147 Lincoln County 1791

Image 161

April 10	Christiana	1	2
10	Christiana	1	2
5	Christiana	1	2
5	Christiana	1	2
41	Christiana	1	2
April 10	Christiana	1	2

- April 19 – Crawford, John – 4 horses

Image 162

• Kennedy Michl – Michael Kennedy — 3 horses
Image 174

W.C.P.	Popper James	(James) George					
S.W.P.	Charles Cornwell	Charles Cornwell	/	/			
	Pop David	David Pop					
	Oliver George	George Oliver					
	Cornel Frederick	Frederick Cornel	-				
A	Lazarus Richard						
	1870-1900	P					

• [Crawford] James – James Crawford – 1 male > 16, Craford, Rebeckah – 8 horses
Image 176

- Douglas John — John
- Douglas Senr — 10 horses
- Douglas, Nathan – Nathan Douglas
- Douglas, John – John Douglas – 2 horses

Image 186

1	1850	James	James	2	1
2	1851	James	James	3	2
3	1852	James	James	4	3
4	1853	James	James	5	4
5	1854	James	James	6	5
6	1855	James	James	7	6
7	1856	James	James	8	7
8	1857	James	James	9	8
9	1858	James	James	10	9
10	1859	James	James	11	10
11	1860	James	James	12	11
12	1861	James	James	13	12
13	1862	James	James	14	13
14	1863	James	James	15	14
15	1864	James	James	16	15
16	1865	James	James	17	16
17	1866	James	James	18	17
18	1867	James	James	19	18
19	1868	James	James	20	19
20	1869	James	James	21	20
21	1870	James	James	22	21
22	1871	James	James	23	22
23	1872	James	James	24	23
24	1873	James	James	25	24
25	1874	James	James	26	25
26	1875	James	James	27	26
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28	1877	James	James	29	28
29	1878	James	James	30	29
30	1879	James	James	31	30
31	1880	James	James	32	31
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33	1882	James	James	34	33
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66	1915	James	James	67	66
67	1916	James	James	68	67
68	1917	James	James	69	68
69	1918	James	James	70	69
70	1919	James	James	71	70
71	1920	James	James	72	71
72	1921	James	James	73	72
73	1922	James	James	74	73
74	1923	James	James	75	74
75	1924	James	James	76	7

- Sellers John – John Sellers – 6 horses
- Sellers James – James Sellers – 4 horses

Image 190 Lincoln County **1792**

Image 194

17	Chadsworth Jr.	1st Christman Co	-	-	1	7	-	-	-	0	2	5
18	Cransford Bldg	Edna Cransford	-	-	3	17	415	-	-	1	5	4
19	Cransford Bldg	1st Cransford	-	-	-	-	200	2	-	0	16	0

- Crawford John John Crawford – 5 horses, 17 cattle – 913
Image 195
- Duggin William – William Duggin — 1 horse, 6 cattle – no land
Image 198

- Kennady Michael – Michael Kennady – 5 horses, 18 cattle, 100 acres

Image 206 – Book 2

Image 217 – Book 3

Image 221

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- Craford James – 1 male > 21, 4 horses, 14 cattle, 120 acres
Image 222
- Duglass John (D) —1 male > 21

- Duglass Nathan – 1 male > 21 – 1 horse
- Image 223

- Duglass John SS 1 male > 21, 11 horses, 30 cattle, 200 acres
- Image 234

Nathan Duglass	21	M	1	11	30	200
John Duglass	21	M	1	11	30	200
James Sellers	21	M	1	6	10	
Samuel Sellers	21	M	1	1		
William Sellers	16-21	M	1			

- Sellers James – 1 male > 21; 6 horses, 10 cattle
 - Sellers Samuel – 1 male > 21; 1 horse
 - Sellers William – 1 male 16-21
- Image 235

James Sellers	21	M	1	6	10
Samuel Sellers	21	M	1	1	
William Sellers	16-21	M	1		

- Sellers Nathaniel – 1 male > 21, 1 horse, 4 cattle 100 acres — THE SON WHO MOVES TO OHIO
 - Sellers John 1 male over 21, 5 horses, 24 cattle, 100 acres
- Image 239 Lincoln County 1793
Image 251 – book 2 for 1793
Image 253

Nathaniel Sellers	21	M	1	1	4	100
John Sellers	21	M	1	5	24	100

- Crawford John – John Crawford – 4 horses, 15 cattle – 913 acres
- Image 261

- Shoemaker Jesse — Jesse Shoemaker – 1 horse – 2 cattle
- Image 265 1792, 1793, 1794

image 267

- Douglas John – Clark County – Licking watercourse — 30 acres
- image 275 1794
image 289 — another book

Image 293

- Crawford John – 1 male > 21, 3 horses – 12 cattle – 250 acres
- next image – very hard to read

images 303, 304 have the S section – hard to read but don't think Sellers on these pages

image 308 starts new section

image 313



- Crawford James – 1 male > 21, 2 horses 1 cattle
 - Crawford James – 1 male > 21, 4 horses, 11 cattle 114 acres Lincoln county
 - Douglas George- 1 male > 21, 9 horses, 25 cattle – 200 acres Lincoln county
- Image 314

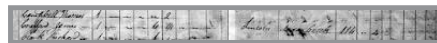
- Douglas Nathan – 1 male > 21, 1 horse Douglas John – 1 male > 21, 2 horses
- Image 325



- Sellars Nathaniel 1 male > 21, 1 horse, 2 cattle
- Image 326



- Sellars Samuel – 1 male > 21, 2 horse, 2 cattle
 - Sellars James – 1 male > 21, 5 horses, 11 cattle
 - Sellars William – 1 male > 21, 2 horses, 4 cattle
 - sellars, John – 1 male > 21, 5 horses, 17 cattle — 100 acres Lincoln County
- Image 331 Lincoln County **1795**
Image 336



- Crafford James – 1 male > 21, 6 horses, 14 cattle – Lincoln County – Sugar Creek 114 acres IS THIS REBECCA'S LAND????
 - Crafford James – 1 male > 21, 1 horse
- Image 337

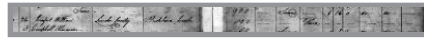
- Crafford James – 1 male > 21, 3 horses, 1 cattle
- Image 338

- Douglas George – 1 male > 21, 1 male 16-21, 2 blacks, 1 black <16, 10 horses, 24 cattle Lincoln County, Boone Creek – 200 acres
 - Douglas, John – 1 male > 21
- Image 345



- Sellers, James – 1 male > 21, 3 horses, 14 cattle
 - Sellers William 1 male > 21, 2 horses, 9 cattle Lincoln County Sugar Creek 100 acres
 - Sellers Dun – 1 male > 21, 1 horse, 1 cattle
- image 350 Auditor's book
Image 364 – start of another book

Image 366



- Crafort William Lincoln County Richladn Creek – 500 acres

Image 377 No 3

Image 381



- Apr 20 Crofford John – 1 male > 21, 3 horses, 13 Cattle, Lincoln county, Hanging fork – 350 acres

Image 397 Lincoln County **1796**

image 413 book 2

Image 417



- Crawford Jn – 607 acres H Fork Lincoln County – 1 male > 21, 1 black, 1 black <16, 4 horses, 14 cattle

book 3

Image 440

- Douglas George — 200 acres — Boones Lincoln County – Edward Davis – – Jacob Myers -2 male > 21, 9 horses, 24 cattle
- Douglas John – 1 male > 21

Image 450



- Sellers James – 1 male > 21, 6 horses, 13 cattle
- Sellers William — 50 acres – Sugar Creek – Lincoln County – 1 male > 21, 4 horses, 12 cattle
- Sellers Samuel – 1 male > 21, 3 horses, 1 cattle

Image 456 Lincoln County **1797**

Image 461



- Crawford John 1 Male > 21, 1 black > 16, 1 black, 5 horses, 550 acres

Image 487 new book

Image 494 Lincoln County **1796, 1797, 1798**

Image 532 Book 2

Image 533 **1799**

Image 540



- Crawford James — 1 male > 21 ; 100 acres Rolling forks, Lincoln County – James Sp[eer]

image 575 Book 2

Image 598 Book 3

Image 603



- Crawford Robert – 1 male > 21, 2 blacks, 1 black > 16 – 200 acres

Image 605

Duglas George – 1 male > 21, 2 horses

Image 624 Lincoln County **1800**

image 643 book 2

Image 675 book 3

Image 683



- Crawford Robert 200 acres Lincoln County Hanging Fork – original John Crawford – same – same – 1 male > 21, 1 black > 16 , 3 blacks, 2 horses
- Crawford James – 1 male > 21

Image 686

- Dugles George, 1 male > 21, 3 horses

Image 712 Lincoln County **1801**

Image 715 – C

Image 728 – S

Image 735 – book 2

Image 737 – C

Image 758 – S

Image 763 – Book 3 – Hugh Magill Commissioner

Image 769 C

IMage 804 **1802**

Image 808 – C

Image 825 – S

Image 832 – book 2

Image 839

- Ellis Richard – 270 acres Lincoln Noland Fork Carpenter same same 1 male > 21, 4 horses
- Ellis James
- Ellis Isaac

Image 848

- Kenaday John 100 acres Lincoln County Green River Jos Spelsh same same 1 male > 21, 2 horses

Image 858 S

Image 864 Geo McRoberts **1802**

Image 869 – C

Arrival in Ohio

Tuesday, February 19, 2019

Have you ever 'lost' an ancestor for a period of time? That's my situation with my ancestor, James Crawford.

James and Sally Duggins are married in Garrard County, Kentucky in 1799. In 1813, there is a land record where James Crawford has made full payment for the NW 1/4 of Section 14, Township 7, Range 2. Thus, I'm trying to figure out where James and Sally were living shortly after their marriage. The county history suggests that James was living in Preble county by 1810. Unfortunately, there are TWO James Crawfords living near each other. This makes it difficult to determine which James Crawford is being referenced.

Since Kentucky tax lists have been helping me figure out who was living where in Lincoln, Garrard and Madison counties. Unfortunately, the Preble County, Ohio tax lists do not begin until 1816.

However, these tax lists contain two clues that I overlooked the first time I used them.



- James Crawford owning the NORTHWEST quarter of Section 14, Township 7, Range 2 appeared on the tax lists at a later time than the James Crawford owning the SOUTHWEST quarter of the same section
- The James Crawford owning the NORTHWEST quarter was referred to as James Crawford Junior

When I first used these tax lists, I likely hadn't figured out who owned which piece of ground. That knowledge is essential to understanding these tax lists.

- James Crawford and Sally Duggins purchased the NW 1/2 of Section 14, Township 7, Range 2 as tenants in common with William Sellers in 1813.
- James Crawford and Martha Knight purchased the SW 1/4 Section 14, Township 7, Range 2 in 1811

These tax lists reinforced what I and other researchers have assumed:

My James Crawford ancestor was the one referred to as Junior

Unfortunately, I still don't know where James and Sally were living between 1799 and 1813.

My notes from the tax lists thru 1820:

Preble County Ohio

Tax Records

1816-1826

FS Film 528382 DGS 48949213

Looking for

- Crawford,
- Sellers
- Duggins (step-sons of James Crawford who married Sally Smith Duggins)

- Lincoln, Moses married 1816
- Shanklin, David married 1817
- Crawford John
- Douglas b1798
- Crawford William Allen (b1803)

1816

Image 9 – C

Image 10

- **Crawford James** – 150 acres – R 2 T7 S14 NO PART GIVEN- Preble 3 D – 37 C – 5 M
- NO Other Crawford

Image 11

- Dugans Henry – 50 acres – R2 T7 S10 SE same 1D – 12C – 5

Image 20 – L

- No Moses Lincoln

Image 30

- Sellers Joseph – 150 acres – R2 – T7 Section 10 NE – same – 3-60
- Sellers Joseph – 160 acres – R2 – T7 S14 – SW – same – 3-60

Image 31

- Sellars Nathan 80 acres R2 – T8 – S36 NW Preble – 1-80
- NO SHANKLAND

image 40 – **1817**

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Missing first part of alphabet pages torn

image 44-45 – parts of names missing –

- NO MOSES LINCOLN found

image 54 – 2 – parts of names are missing

Image 55 –

- Sellers, Nathan with 80 acres R2T8S35 NW — but other names torn away

Image 56

- Sellers William – 40 acres R2T7S14 SW – Crawford from James Crawford

Image 65 – **1818**

Image 72 – C

- **Crawford James** – 110 S14-T7-R2 SW Preble 1-65Image 73
- **Crawford James** Junr – 75 – S14-T7R2 NW Preble -12-50 new entry

Image 74 – D

- NO John Douglas Crawford or any other CRAWFORD
- Dougan Henry – 50 – s10-T7-R2 SW Preble – 75

IM 82 – L

- NO MOSES LINCOLN

Image 94

- Sellers Joseph – 160 – S4 T7 R2 SW Preble 2-40
- Sellers Joseph – 160 S10-T7 R2 NE Preble 2-49Sellers Joesph – 160 S10 T7 R2 – NW Preble 2-40
- Sellers Nathan – 80 – S35 -T8 R2 Nw Preble -120
- Sellers Nathan 40 – S10 T7 R2 Sw – 1-10Sellers Nathan 38 S9 T7 R2 NE Preble -55
- Sellers William 40 – S14 T7 R2 SW Preble -60
- NO David SHANKLAND

Image 105 – **1819**

Image 113

- **Crawford James** – 110 acres – S14 T7 R2 Sw Preble 1-72-5image 114
- **Crawford James Junr** – 75 S14 T7 R2 NW Preble 1-31-2

Image 116

- Dugan Henry – 50 S10T7R2 SW Preble 87-5
- No Moses Lincoln

Image 139 – S

- Sellers – Joseph 160 S4-T7-R2 SW Preble
- Sellers Joseph 160 S10 T7R2 NE Preble
- Sellers Joseph – 160 S10 T7 R2 NW
- Sellers Nathan 80 S35-T8R2 NW
- Sellers Nathan 110 S10T7R2 Sw
- Sellers Nathan 38 S9T7R2 NE
- Sellers William 40 S14T7R2 SW

Image 142

- Sellers William 75 S14T7R2 NW Preble

image 150 – **1820**

Image 159

Image 160

- Crawford David L – 162 R2T9S25

Image 162

- **Crawford James** 110 R2T7S14 SW
- **Crawford James Jnr** 75 – R2T7S14 NW

Image 164

- Duggins Henry 50 R2T7S10 SW

Image 181

- Lincoln Moses J 30 R2T7S14 NE

Image 197

- Sellers Nathan Senr 110 R2T7S10 SW
- Sellers Nathan Senr 38 R2T7S9 SE
- Sellers Nathan Senr 80 R2T8S35 NWImage 198
- Sellers William 75 R2T7S14 NW
- Sellers William 40 R2T7S14 SW

Image 199

- Sellers Joseph M 80 R2T7S10 NW

Image 200

- Sellers Robert (Estate of) 80 R2T7S4 sW
- Sellers Joseph Senr 80 R2T7S10 NW
- Sellers Joseph Senr 35 R3T4S26 SE

Barren County Connection

Wednesday, February 20, 2019

Have you ever questioned whether an ancestor lived in a certain place because the migration path was illogical?

Well, that is the case with our Crawford research. James Crawford and Martha Knight were married in Lincoln County, KY in 1793. James Crawford and Sally Duggins were married in Garrard County, KY in 1799. Both families migrated to Preble County, Ohio.

So when clues pointed to at least one of them being in Barren County, KY (South of Lincoln and Garrard), those clues were questioned because it seemed illogical for these couples to migrate South before migrating North to Ohio.

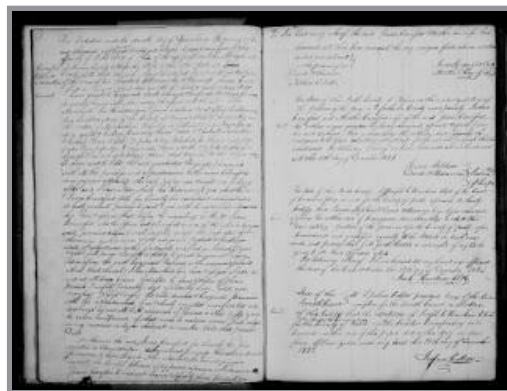
That gut feeling was proven incorrect when a Barren County deed was discovered. This 1821 deed was for the sale of land by a James Crawford of Preble County, Ohio. Records place both James Crawfords in Preble County, Ohio at the time. So far, no record has been found for a third James Crawford in Preble County, Ohio in 1821.

Since the deed identifies the wife of James Crawford as Martha, this deed places James and Martha owning land in Barren County, KY. Another set of deeds for the sale of land in Garrard County, KY by Rebecca Crawford and James Crawford, both of Barren County, provide additional evidence that James Crawford was in Barren County, KY (See Rebekah's Land)

Barren County Kentucky

Deed Book J page 1

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This Indenture made the eleventh day of December in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty one between James Crawford of the county of Preble state of Ohio of the one part and John Moorehead of Barren County Kentucky state of the other part and witnesseth that the said James Crawford for and in consideration of the sum of two hundred dollars recents to the said James Crawford in hand paid the receipt of which is hereby acknowledge have granted bargained aliened conveyed & confirmed & by these presents do grant bargain sell alien convey and confirm unto the said John

Moorhead his heirs & assigns forever a certain tract of land containing two hundred acres of the county of Barren & State of Kentucky on the waters of Marrawbone bounded as follows to wit: beginning at a maple & hickory running thence west 119 poles to a chestnut & hickory thence south 179 poles to two black oaks thence east 179 poles to a popular & dogwood thence north 179 poles crossing a branch to an ash and hickory thence west 60 poles to the beginning to have and to hold the said granted patented & bargained premares with all the privileges and appurtenances to the same belonging or in any wise apertaining in the only proper use benefit and behoof of the said John Moorehead his heirs and assigns. and the said James Crawford doth for himself his executors and administrators do hereby covenant promise & grant to and with the said John Moorhead his heirs & assigns that before the ensealing 'ho' the sd James Crawford was the true sole & lawful owner of the above bargained premises & was lawfully seized and possessed of the the same in his own rights and good perfect & absolute estate of inheritance in the fee simple and had in himself good right full powers lawful authority to grant bargain sell convey and confirm the said bargained premises in the manner aforesaid and that the said John Moorehead his heirs & assigns shall at and at all times forever hereafter by force & virtue of those presents lawfully peaceably and quietly have hold use occupy possess & enjoy the said demises & Bargained premises with the appertenances free & clearly acquitted exonerated are discharge of an all & all manners of former or other gifts [grow] to sales incumbrances if what name or nature soever that might in any measure or degree obstruct or make void this present deed.

Furthermore, the said James Crawford for himself his heirs executors & administrators doth covenant & engage the above demise premaris to him the said John Morehead his heirs & assigns agants the lawful claims of any person or persons whatsoever forever hereafter to warrant secure & defend by these presents

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In testimony whereof, the said James Crawford & Martha his wife has hereunto set their hands and seal the day and year first above written
James Crawford

Martha (her mark) Crawford

Sealed and Delivered

in the presence of us

David Williamson

Nathan D Sellers

The state of Ohio Preble County SS

Before us the undersigned two of

the justices of the peace in & for the sd county came personally James

Crawford and Martha Crawford wife of the said James Crawford

the within named grantors she being examined separate & apart from

her said husband they acknowledge the within deed of

conveyance to be their voluntary act and deed for the use and purpose therein

mentioned In testimony whereof we have hereunto set our hands and

seals this 11th day of December 1822
Isaac Stephens
David Williamson

Kentucky, Barren County. Deeds. Film #007899153. James Crawford to Alexander Moorehead, 11 Dec 1821 J: 1-2; digital images, *Family Search* <http://www.familysearch.org> : viewed online January 2019.

Barren

Thursday, February 21, 2019

Have you ever re-looked at some tax records and discovered that you can now figure out who these people might be when before they were just a list of names found in that county?

Well, that has been my experience as I'm going back thru some of my Crawford Kentucky research in hopes that it leads me back another generation.

I've recently re-looked at Madison, Lincoln and Garrard county tax lists and combined with land records, I have a much better understanding of who the various Crawfords listed in these tax roles are. Since I have deeds indicating James Crawford (husband of Martha Knight) lived in Barren County, Kentucky, I decided to re-look at those tax records.

I first searched the Barren County KY tax lists some time ago. Based on the "V20-0014" notation on my notes, I'm guessing I used the American Genealogical Lending Library to research these records at home.

Date	Name	Acres	County	Water - feet	Gravel	Surge	Blended	Water 252 inches 116 inches 6 Total 128 inches
1941	Crawford							
1941	David							
1941	Crawford	2 1/2	Butler	Normal - bone	Thoma Manager			
1941	James	200						
1941	Crawford	John						
1941	David	300						
1941	Crawford	2 1/2	Butler	Normal - bone	Thoma Manager			
1941	James	200						
1941	Crawford	2 1/2	Butler	Normal - bone	Thoma Manager			
1941	James	200						
1941	Crawford	2 1/2	Butler	Normal - bone	Thoma Manager			
1941	James	200						

Unfortunately, at the time, I didn't know enough about the family for this information to help me.

Since that time, I've discovered a couple of land records that place James Crawford in Barren County, KY. The first one I found was for the sale of 200 acres of land on the Marrowbone in 1821. The second deed was for the sale of Rebecca (Rebekah) Crawford's land in Garrard County, KY in 1804.

These deeds and my additional knowledge about the families and neighbors has made easier for me to figure out the Barren County, KY tax records.

- David Crawford who is listed in 1799 and later is an unknown (image 10)
- James Crawford who is found on image 31 with 200 acres on the Marrowbone
- The Dooley and Douglass families are found in these early tax lists.
- By 1800, James Crawford owned an additional 50 acres on the Marrowbone and 200 acres in Cumberland County (image 67)
- By 1802 William Sellers is listed with 100 acres of land in Barren County (image 141)
- By 1802, there is a second James Crawford (image 119)
- By 1805 James Crawford Jr is listed with 50 acres of land on the Marrowbone (image 275)
- By 1806, William Sellers is no longer listed as owning land on the Marrowbone. There is a James Crawford owning 50 acres of land on the Marrowbone (image 335)
- In 1806, there is a James Crawfford owning 190 acres of land on the East Fork of the Barren River (image 372)

- By 1808, no Crawfords are listed owning land on the Marrowbone

Based on this information, I've developed some theories:

- James Crawford shown in the tax list owning 200 acres on the Marrowbone is the James Crawford who sold 200 acres of land on the Marrowbone in 1821
- James Crawford listed as 'little' or 'junior' is the other James Crawford who migrated to Preble County – the one married to Sally Smith Duggins
- William Sellers is the William Sellers who purchased land in Ohio as a tenant in common with James Crawford
- The Dooley and Douglas families in the Barren County tax records are the same Dooley and Douglas families from Garrard County, KY
- James and Martha left Barren County earlier than James and Sally – thus arriving in Preble County earlier

I will need to find land and/or court records to help prove these theories.

Notes from the tax lists:

Barren County Kentucky

Tax Books 1799-1816

FS Film 7865 DGS 7834396

image 4 – **1799**

Image 9 – C

Image 10

- Crawford David — 1 male > 21, 1 horse
Note: David Crawford is between two Cochrans

Image 20 – S

- No Sellers

Image 26 **1800**

Image 31 – C

- Crawford James – 200 acres Barren Marrowbone – Thomas Minor – 1 male > 21, 3 horses
- Cole Stephen – 200 acres Barren Marrowbone Stephen Cole 1 male > 21, 1 black > 16, 1 total black, 4 horses

Image 32

- Dooly Moses Junr — 200 acres Barren Marrowbone – Moses Dooly 1 male >21 – 2 horses
- Douglass John — 200 acres Barren Marrowbone – John Douglass 1 male over 21, 1 horse

Image 40

- Railsback John 200 acres Barren Marrowbone John Railsback 1 male > 21, 1 male >16, 3 horses

Image 41 – S

- No SELLERS

Image 47 1800 #2

Image 50 – C (faint – watercourses mostly illegible)

- No Crawford

Image 58 – S –

- No Sellers

Image 61 – **1801**
Image 66 – C
Image 67

- Crawford David – 200 acres Barren Skaggs Creek – Sparker – 1 male > 21, 1 horse
- Crawford James – 200 acres Barren Marrowbone – Minor -Crawford James – 200 acres Cumberland S Creek BBay
- Crawford James 50 acres Barren Marrowbone D Allen 1 male > 21, 4 horses

NOTE: All three James Crawford properties lumped together for the 1 male >21, and 4 horses

Image 68

- Dooly Moses — 200 acres Barren Middle fork of – 1 male > 21, 5 horses
- Duglass John 200 acres Barren Little Barren – 1 male > 21

Image 69
Image 79 – R

Image 79

- Ralsback John – 200 acres Barren Marrobone – 1 male >21, 2 males >16, 2 horses

Image 90 – **1801**
Image 94 – C
Image 95

- Crawford James – 1 male > 21, 2 horses – no mention of land

Image 96-97 –

- no Dooley or Douglass

Image 104-105 –

- no Railsback
- No SELLERS

Image 111 – **1802**
Image 118 – C
Image 119

- Crawford James (small) ?jr – 1 male > 21, 2 horses
- Crawford James (big) Senr – 200 acres Barren Marrowbone – Thos Minor – same
AND 50 acres Barren Marrowbone – Thos Minor – same – 1 male > 21, 4 horses

Image 122

- Dooley Douglass Nathan
- Douglass John

Image 141

- Sellers William 100 Barren [to]Bob – Jacob Lasland – same – 1male > 21 1 horse

Image 149 – **1803**
Image 157 – C

Image 158 –

- Crawford David – 1 male > 21, 1 horse
- Crawford James – 200 acres Barren Marrowbone – Minor 200 acres Cumberland Spring Ck – D Day same, 50 acres Barren Marrowbone Alley – 1 male > 21, 6 horses
- Crawford James Jr – 50 acres Barren Marrowbone- Dooley – same 1 male > 21, 2 horses

Image 161

- Crawford James – 200 acres Barren E Fk B Barren – Jos Gest – same – 1 male > 21, 8 horses
- Dooley Moses Senr
- Dooley George
- Dooley Thomas
- Douglass William
- Douglass Samuel
- Douglas Nathan
- Douglas John
- Douglas George

Image 162

- Dooley Rubin
- Dooley Abner
- Dooley Moses Jr
- Douglas John

Image 190

- Sellers William 130 acres Barren L Barren J Railsback – same – 1 male > 21, 4 horses

Image 203 – **1804**

Image 213 – C

Image 214 – no land listed for these Crawfords

- Crawford James (little) 1 male > 21, 2 horses
- Crawford James 1 male > 21, 1 horse Crawford David 1 male > 21, 3 horses
- Crawford James (taylor) 1 male > 21, 3 horses

Image 217

- Crawford James (big 200 barren Marrowbone – Miner – same ; 200 acres Cumberland Spring Ck – Ray – same – 50 acres Barren – Marrowbone – Alley – 1 male > 21, 6 horses

Image 219 – Douglass

Image 248 – S

- No Sellers

Image 262 1804 Added

Image 263 **1805**

Image 273 – C

Image 274

- Crawford David – 1 male > 21, 2 horses

Image 275

- Crawford James Senr 200 acres Barren Marrowbone – Thos Minor – Same; 200 acres Cumberland – Spring Ck – Robert Phay – same , 1 male > 21, 8 horses
- Crawford James Jr – 50 acres Barren – Marrowbone – Abner Dooley – same – 1 male > 21, 2 horses
- Crawford James – 190 acres same E F B Barren – same- same – 1 male > 21, 2 horses

Image 277 – D

- Nathan Doulgass

Image 278 –

- Dooley

Image 279 –

Image 313 – S

Image 315

- George Douglass
- Sellers William – 100 acres – same – Little Barren- Jacob Railsback – same – 1 male > 21, 5 horses

Image 329 **1806**

Image 334 – C

- Crawford James – 50 acres Barren Marrowbone A Dooley – same 1 male > 21, 1 male > 16, 1 horse

Image 335

- Douglass George and others

Image 358

- No Sellers

Image 369 – book 2 1806

Image 371- CI

mage 372 –

- Crafford James – 190 acres Barron East Fork Barron – same – 1 male > 21 , 3 horses

Image 385 – S

- No Sellers

Image 392 – **1807**

Image 398 – C

Image 400

- Crawford James – 190 acres – Barren – E F B Baren – J Crawford same – 1 male > 21, 1 horses

Image 421 – S

- No Sellers

Image 431 – **1807**

Book 2

Image 435 – C

Image 436

- David Crawford – 100 acres Barren Beaver Cr Jno Bybee – same 1 male > 21, 2 horses

Image 437

- Crawford James 50 acres Marrobone – Ab Dooley – same – 1 male > 21, 3 horses

Image 439 –

- Douglas
- No DUGGINS

Image 455 – S

- No Sellers

Image 464 – 1808 Book 1 – Lower District

Image 470 – C

- Crawford James – 190 acres – same – E F B Barren – J Crawford – same – 1 male > 21, 1 male > 16 3 horses

Image 494 – S

Image 505 – **1808**

Image 510 – C

Image 511

- Crawford David – ? – ink smeared 1 male > 21, 2 males > 16, 4 blacks > 16, 8 total blacks, 12 horses
- Crawford [Phelp] – ink smeared – 1 male > 16, 4 total blacks, 2 horses

Image 512 –

- George Douglas

Image 527 – S

Image 533 – **1809**

Image 539 – C

- Crawford James – 190 acres Barren – E F B Barren – J Crawford – same – 1 male > 21, 3 horses

Image 562 – S

Image 573 – 1809 – Book 2

Image 578- C

Image 579

- Crawford, Phebe – 4 total blacks, 1 horse

Image 580

- Crawford David – 100 acres Barren, Beaver , J Byber – same – 1 male > 21, 3 horses
- Crawford John – 1 male > 21, 1 horse

Image 605 – **1810**

Stopped searching for now

Venture into Court Records

Friday, February 22, 2019

Do you try and find every record you could on an ancestor? I used to think that I did. However, I have to admit that I haven't always researched all available records for a community. I often stop with the indexed records and often avoid those non-indexed records.

It turns out I likely need to be using those records. A local historian from the Garrard County, Kentucky area contacted me last week. She had seen my blog post about not finding land records for the SELLERS families in the area. She provided lots of hints. One was a rumor that the Sellers acquired their land in Garrard County by trading a horse for it. She said that if the rumor was true, I might not find a deed. Another hint was to dig thru the court records — especially since there were a lot of legal battles over Kentucky land.

So, I've started my journey into court records.

I've started with the Madison County, Kentucky Court of Quarter Sessions. These court documents have been filmed and are available on the Family Search site — and there is even an index to them!

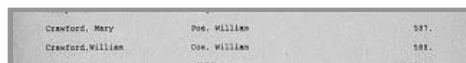
Madison County Kentucky

Court of Quarter Sessions case files 1789-1802, indexes, 1789-1802

Case Files, 1-778, mixed dates ranging 1789-1802

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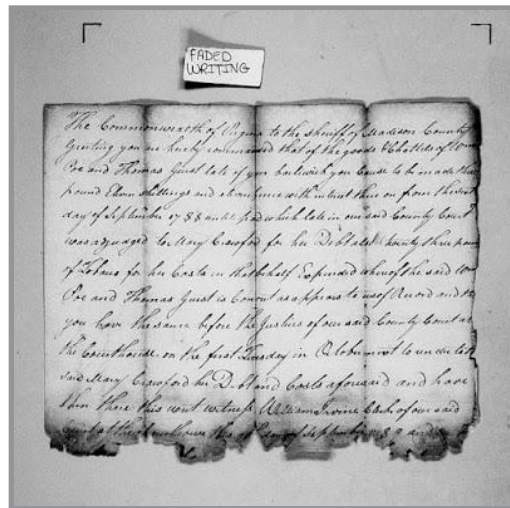


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Crawford, Mary – Poe, William 587

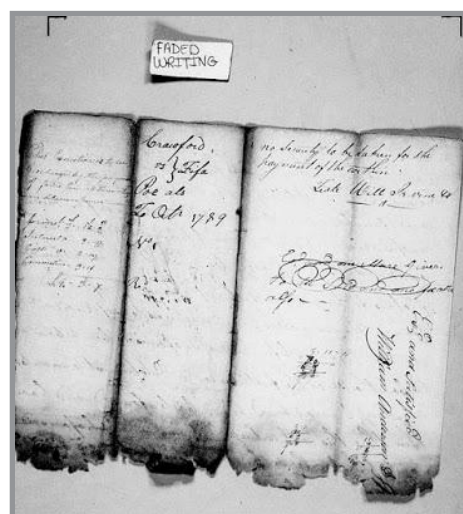
Case 587

Image 2670



The Commonwealth of Virginia to the Sheriff of Madison County greeting you are hereby commanded that of the goods & Chattles of Wm Poe and Thomas Guest late of your bailiwick you cause to be made three pound eleven shillings and eleven pence with interest there on from the [?] day of September 17 \$\$ until [pad] which late in our said County Court was adjudged to Mary Crawford for her debt also twenty three poun of Tabacco for her costs in that behalf expended whereof the said Wm Poe and Thomas Guest is [convert] as appears to use of record and th[?] you have the same before the justices of our said County court a[t] the Courthouse on the first Tuesday in October next to [rendects f] said Mary Crawford her debt and costs aforesaid and have then these this [writ] witness William Irvine Clerk of our said Court at the courthouse the 2[?] day of September 1789 and

Image 2671



Crawford vs Fifa
Poe als
to Oct 1789

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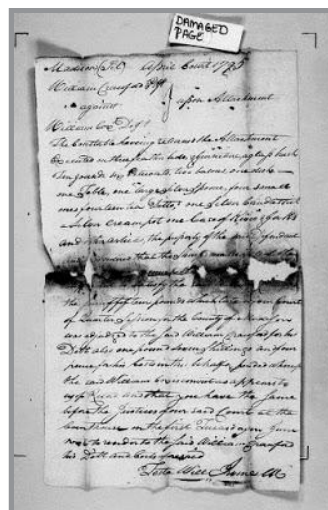
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Image 2673



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Madison (Sct) April Court 1795
William Crawford [P?]
against Upon Attachment
William Core Deft

The Constable having returned the attachment

executed on three feather beds, furniture, [aglass brush]
 Ten gownds six peticoats two basons one dish
 One table one large silver spoon four small
 One fourteen tea dittos one silver candlestick
 A silver cream pot one case of knives & forks
 And thes articles the property of the said defendant
 And is ordered that the sheriff make sale of the
 [damaged – can't read] much [damaged can't read]
 Sufficent to satisfy the said William Crawford
 The fine of sixteen pounds which late in our court
 Of quarter sessions for the count of Madison
 Was adjudged to the said William Crawford for his
 debt also one pound seven shillings and four
 pence for his costs in the behalf [pended] whereof
 the said William Core is convict as appears to
 us of [Rund] and that you have the same
 before the Justices of our said Court at the
 Courthouse on the first Tuesday in June
 next to render tot hes aid William Crawford
 his debt and costs aforesaid
 Test Will June M

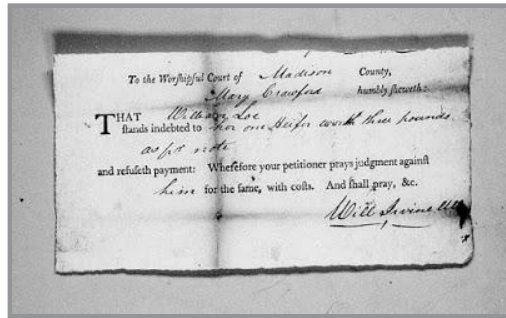
Image 2674



Crawford
 ve
 Poe
 [Pato]

May 17 88
 [Ludgm]
 Box 1
 Bundle 2

Image 2675



The worshipful Court of Madison county
 Mary Crawford humble showeth
 That William Loe
 stands indebted to her one heifer worth three pounds
 as per note
 and refuseth payment: Wherefore your petitioner prays judgement against
 him for the same with costs and shall pray &c.

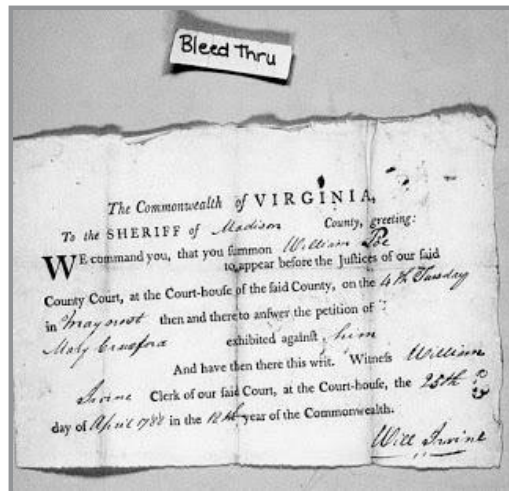
Will Irvine [M]

Image 2676



Crawford
 vs
 Poe
 to May 1788
 (Written sideways)
 a copy left May 16 88
 John Adams

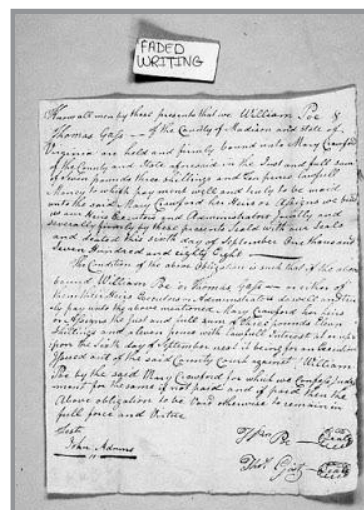
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The commonwealth of Virginia
to the sheriff of Madison County, greeting:
We command you, that you summon William Poe
to appear before the Justices of our said
County Court, at the Court-house of the said County, on the 4th Tuesday
in May next then and there to answer the petition of
Mary Crawford exhibited against him
And have then there this writ. Witness William
Irvine Clerk of our said Court, at the Court-house, the 25th
day of April 1788 in the 12th year of the Commonwealth.
Will Irvine

image 2678



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Know all men b these presents that we William Poe &
Thomas Gass of the County of Madison and state of
Virginia are held and firmly bound unto Mary Crawford

of the County and State aforesaid in the just and full sum of seven pounds three shillings and ten pence lawfull money to which payment will and truly to be maid unto the said Mary Crawford her heirs or assigns we bind us our heirs executors and administrators jointly and severally firmly by these presents seald with our seals and dated this sixth day of September one thousand seven hundred and eighty eight.

The condition of the above obligation is such that if the above bound William Poe or Thomas Gass or either of them their heirs executors or administrators do well and truly pay unto the above mentioned Mary Crawford her heirs or assigns the just and full sum of three pounds eleven shilling and elven pence with lawfull interest at or upon the sixth day of September next it being for n execution issued out of the said County Court against William Poe by the said Mary Crawford for which we confess judgement for the same if not paid and if paid then the above obligation to be void otherwise he remain in full force and virtue.

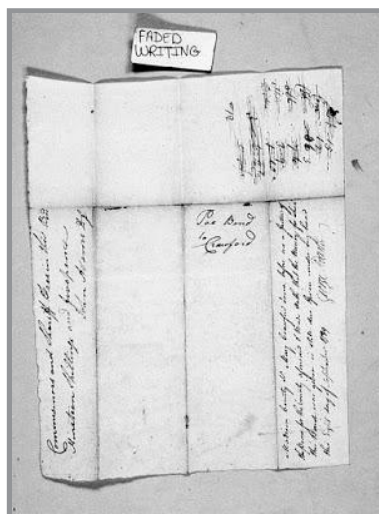
Test

John Adams

Wm Poe (seal)

Thos gast (seal)

Image 2679



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Poe bond

to

Crawford

sideways on left

Commissioners and sheriff [Tees] in this Bond

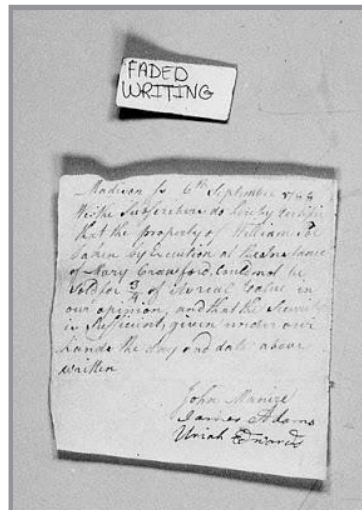
Nineteen shillings and five pence

John Adams DJ

sideways on right

Madison County SS Mary Crawford came me a justice of
the peace for the County of Madison & made oath that the money for which
this bond was given in state due given under my hand
this eight day of September 1789 [George] Adams

Image 2680

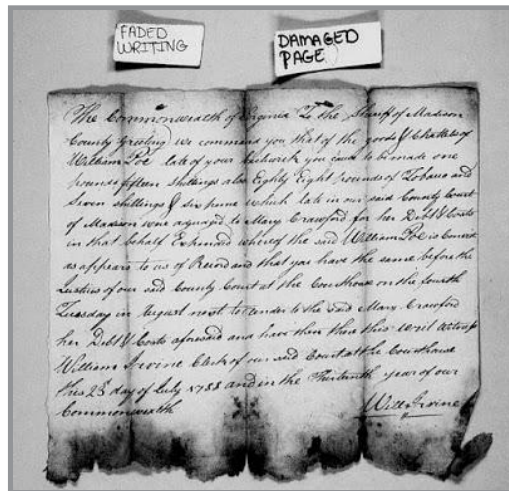


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Madison Ss 6th September 1788
We the subscribers do hereby certify
that the property of William Poe
taken by execution at the [Instane]
pf Mary Crawford, could not be
sold for 3/4 of the real value in
our opinion and that the [sevirty]
is sufficient, given under our
hands the day and dates above
written

John Manire
James Adams
Uriah Edwards

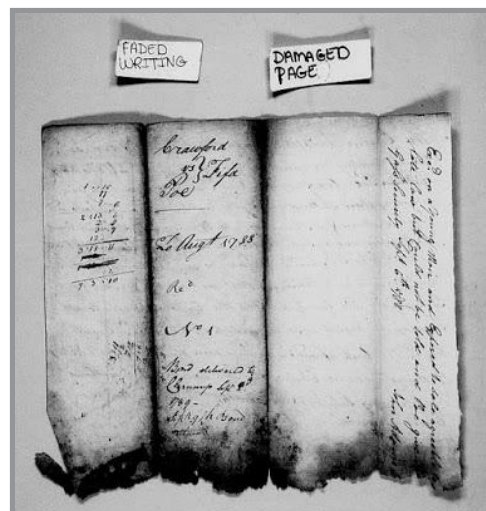
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The Commonwealth of Virginia to the Sheriff of Madison
County greeting we command you that of the goods & Chattels of
William Poe lat of your baliwick you case to be made one
pounds fifteen shillings also eighty eight pounds of tobacco and
seven shillings & six pence which late in our said County Court
of Madison were adjudged to Mary Crawford for her Debt & costs
in that behalf extended whereof the said William Poe is [convert]
as appears to us of record and that you have the same before the
justices of our said County Court at the Courthouse on the fourth
Tuesday in August next to render to the said Mary Crawford
her debt & costs aforesaid and have these there this writ witness
William Irvine Clerk of our said Court at the Courthouse
this 23d day of July 1788 and in the thirteenth year of our
Commonwealth
Will Irvine

Image 2682



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Crawford
vs
Poe
FIFA
To Augt 1788
Red
No 1
bond delivered to
C[Grump] sept 2d
1789
[strgth] bond
returned
Sideways on right
Exed on a young man and exposed to sale agreeble
late law but could not be sold and Poe given
Gass Security Sept 6th 1788 John Adams

Kentucky, Madison. Court of Quarter Sessions case Files, 1789-1802, indexes, 1789-1802. Film #2115181 item 3 DGS 7838115. Mary Crawford, 1788 : Case #587 starting with image 2669; digitized images, *Family Search* <http://www.familysearch.org> : viewed online February 2019.

1784 Grand Jury

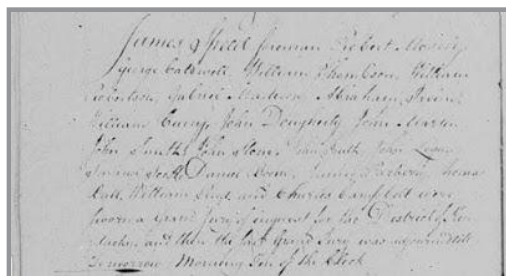
Saturday, February 23, 2019

Lincoln County Kentucky

as found in the Court Order Book, 1783-1786 for the Kentucky Supreme Court of Lincoln County

Image 24

March 5th 1784



*James Speed foreman Robert Moresby
George Caldwell William Thompson William
Robertson Gabriel Madison Abraham Givens
William Curry John Dougherty, John Martin
John Smith, John Stone, John South, John Logan
Samuel Scott, Daniel Boone, James Barberry, Thomas
Ball, William Reed and Charles Campbell were
sworn a grand jury of inquest for the District of Ken
tucky and then the said grand jury was adjourned till
tomorrow morning Ten of the clock*

Lincoln County Taxes

Sunday, February 24, 2019

Do you find little clues in tax records? When I reviewed the Lincoln County Kentucky tax records, I made some discoveries that are helping my CRAWFORD research in the area.

- Discovered **John Crawford** — who owned 913 acres of land
- Sellers families listed beginning in 1787
- **Rebekah Crawford** (widow) listed in 1787-1791
- **James Crawford** owning 114 acres of land on Sugar Creek (same description as land owned by Rebekah Crawford) in 1794
- Douglas families listed beginning in 1789

1795 Mystery

- **William Crafort** – 500 acres Richland Creek

1799 Mysteries:

- **James Crawford** — 100 acres on Rolling Forks
- **Robert Crawford** — 200 acres

Lincoln County Kentucky

Tax Books 1787-1788, 1790-1797, 1799-1805

Film 8114

DGS 7834472

Image 4

1787

Image 5

Crofford John – 4 horses, 4 cattle

Image 9

Shoemaker Solo

Image 21

Crawford Rebekah (widow) – recorded on July 5th – no horses or cattle

Image 22 – July 5th – George Douglas

Image 28

Nathaniel Sellars – Nathaniel and Joseph Sellars – 4 males >16, 5 horses, 15 cattle

Sellars, John – 3 horses, 14 cattle

Image 32 – **1788**

Image 46 – **1789**

Image 61

Crawford Rebeca – 1 male 16-21; 6 horses

Image 65

George Douglas – 1 male > 21; 2 horses

Image 73

Seller Nthal Nathaniel Sellers; 1 male >21; 3 horses — likely Nathan A Sellers the son of Nathaniel Sellers

Sellers James James Sellers 2 horses

Joseph Sellers – 1 horse

Sellers john – 5 horses

Image 87 (possibly 1790) – NOTE: FS isn't always changing the image # when I advance an image. Thus image numbers may be incorrect

Crawford Rebecca – 1 male over 16; 6 horses

Image 88

Douglass George — 1 male > 16, 4 horses

Image 98

Sellers Nathaniel – 1 male >16; 3 horses – LIKELY THE SON WHO MOVES TO OHIO

Sellers Joseph — 1 horse

Sellers James — 2 horses

Sellers John — 5 horses

#5 Books

Image 104

Crofford Alexander – 9 horses

Douglass Alexander – 4 horses

Image 115

#6

Image 117

Crawford John – 5 horses

1790 — image 125

Image 128

April 21

Crawford John – 4 horses

Image 129

Aug 2 Duggins Wm — 2 horses

Image 140

Cofford James — James Crofford — 3 horses

Image 147

Lincoln County **1791**

Image 161

April 19 – **Crawford, John** – 4 horses

Image 162

Duggin William — William Duggins — 1 horse

Image 164

Kennedy Michl – Michael Kennedy — 3 horses

Image 174

[Crawford] James – James Crawford – 1 male > 16,

Craford, Rebeckah – 8 horses

Image 176

Duglas John — John Douglas Senr — 10 horses

Duglas, Nathan – Nathan Duglas

Duglas, John – John Douglas – 2 horses

Image 186

Sellers John – John Sellers – 6 horses

Sellers James – James Sellers – 4 horses

Image 190

Lincoln County **1792**

Image 194

Crawford John John Crawford – 5 horses, 17 cattle – 913

Image 195

Duggin William – William Duggin — 1 horse, 6 cattle – no land

Image 198

Kennady Michael – Michael Kennady – 5 horses, 18 cattle, 100 acres

Image 206 – Book 2

Image 217 – Book 3

Image 221

Craford James – 1 male > 21, 4 horses, 14 cattle, 120 acres

Image 222

Duglass John (D) — 1 male > 21

Duglass Nathan – 1 male > 21 – 1 horse

Image 223

Duglass John SS 1 male > 21, 11 horses, 30 cattle, 200 acres

Image 234

Sellers James – 1 male > 21; 6 horses, 10 cattle

Sellers Samuel – 1 male > 21; 1 horse

Sellers William – 1 male 16-21

Image 235

Sellers Nathaniel – 1 male > 21, 1 horse, 4 cattle 100 acres — THE SON WHO MOVES TO OHIO

Sellers, John 1 male over 21, 5 horses, 24 cattle, 100 acres

Image 239
Lincoln County **1793**

Image 251 – book 2 for **1793**

Image 253
Crawford John – John Crawford – 4 horses, 15 cattle – 913 acres

Image 261
Shoemaker Jesse — Jesse Shoemaker – 1 horse – 2 cattle

Image 265
1792, 1793, 1794

image 267
Douglas John – Clark County – Licking watercourse — 30 acres

image 275
1794

image 289 — another book

Image 293
Crawford John – 1 male > 21, 3 horses – 12 cattle – 250 acres
next image – very hard to read

images 303, 304 have the S section – hard to read but don't think Sellers on these pages

image 308 starts new section

image 313
Crawford James – 1 male > 21, 2 horses 1 cattle
Crawford James – 1 male > 21, 4 horses, 11 cattle 114 acres Lincoln county
Douglas George- 1 male > 21, 9 horses, 25 cattle – 200 acres Lincoln county

Image 314
Douglas Nathan – 1 male > 21, 1 horse
Douglas John – 1 male > 21, 2 horses

Image 325
Sellars Nathaniel 1 male > 21, 1 horse, 2 cattle

Image 326
Sellars Samuel – 1 male > 21, 2 horse, 2 cattle
Sellars James – 1 male > 21, 5 horses, 11 cattle
Sellars William – 1 male > 21, 2 horses, 4 cattle
sellars, John – 1 male > 21, 5 horses, 17 cattle — 100 acres Lincoln County

Image 331
Lincoln County **1795**

Image 336

Crafford James – 1 male > 21, 6 horses, 14 cattle – Lincoln County – Sugar Creek 114 acres **IS THIS REBECCA'S LAND????**

Crafford James – 1 male > 21, 1 horse

Image 337

Crafford James – 1 male > 21, 3 horses, 1 cattle

Image 338

Douglas George – 1 male > 21, 1 male 16-21, 2 blacks, 1 black <16, 10 horses, 24 cattle
Lincoln County, Boone Creek – 200 acres

Douglas, John – 1 male > 21

Image 345

Sellers, James – 1 male > 21, 3 horses, 14 cattle

Sellers William 1 male > 21, 2 horses, 9 cattle Lincoln County Sugar Creek 100 acres

Sellers Dun – 1 male > 21, 1 horse, 1 cattle

image 350

Auditor's book

Image 364 – start of another book

Image 366

Crafford William Lincoln County Richland Creek – 500 acres

Image 377

No 3

Image 381

Apr 20 **Crofford John** – 1 male > 21, 3 horses, 13 Cattle, Lincoln county, Hanging fork – 350 acres

Image 397

Lincoln County **1796**

image 413

book 2

Image 417

Crawford Jn – 607 acres H Fork Lincoln County – 1 male > 21, 1 black, 1 black <16, 4 horses, 14 cattle

book 3

Image 440

Douglas George — 200 acres — Boones Lincoln County – Edward Davis – – Jacob Myers -2 male > 21, 9 horses, 24 cattle

Douglas John – 1 male > 21

Image 450

Sellers James – 1 male > 21, 6 horses, 13 cattle

Sellers William — 50 acres – Sugar Creek – Lincoln County – 1 male > 21, 4 horses, 12

cattle

Sellers Samuel – 1 male > 21, 3 horses, 1 cattle

Image 456

Lincoln County **1797**

Image 461

Crawford John 1 Male > 21, 1 black > 16, 1 black, 5 horses, 550 acres

Image 487

new book

Image 494

Lincoln County 1796, 1797, 1798

Image 532

Book 2

Image 533

1799

Image 540

Crawford James — 1 male > 21 ; 100 acres Rolling forks, Lincoln County – James Sp[eer]

image 575

Book 2

Image 598

Book 3

Image 603

Crawford Robert – 1 male > 21, 2 blacks, 1 black > 16 – 200 acres

Image 605

Duglas George – 1 male > 21, 2 horses

Image 624

Lincoln County **1800**

image 643

book 2

Image 675

book 3

Image 683

Crawford Robert 200 acres Lincoln County Hanging Fork – original John Crawford – same – same – 1 male > 21, 1 black > 16 , 3 blacks, 2 horses

Crawford James – 1 male > 21

Image 686

Dugles George, 1 male > 21, 3 horses

Image 712
Lincoln County
1801

Image 715 – C

Image 728 – S

Image 735 – book 2

Image 737 – C

Image 758 – S

Image 763 – Book 3 – Hugh Magill Commissioner

Image 769 C

Image 1804
1802

Image 808 – C

Image 825 – S

Image 832 – book 2

Image 839

Ellis Richard – 270 acres Lincoln Noland Fork Carpenter same same 1 male > 21, 4 horses

Ellis James

Ellis Isaac

Image 848

Kenaday John 100 acres Lincoln County Green River Jos Spelsh same same 1 male > 21, 2 horses

Image 858 S

Image 864 Geo McRoberts 1802

Image 869 – C

John Crawford Clue

Monday, February 25, 2019

Have you ever run across a little tiny clue that changes your entire thinking about family members?

Well, I may have run across just such a clue for my Crawford family members in early Lincoln County, Kentucky. In the 1783-1786 Court Order book for the Lincoln County Supreme Court of Kentucky (Family Search film 551323), I found mention of a deed for John and William Crawford on image 69.

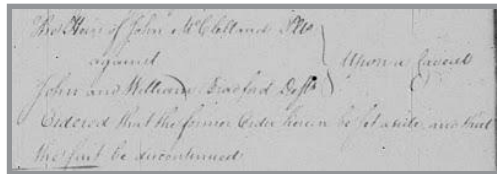


Image 69

June the 18th 1785

Saturday the 18th day of June 1785

Present

The Same judges as yesterday

*The Heirs of John McClelland plts
against*

John and William Crawford Defts

Upon a Caveat

*Ordered that the former order herein be set aside and that
the first be discontinued*

So, who are John and William Crawford — and — are they the same as the John and William Crawfords I already have discovered in the area?

John Crawford

- listed on Lincoln County, KY tax lists for 1787, 1789, 1790, 1791, 1792 and 1795
- patented 913 acres of land on Hanging Fork of Dick's River
- Power of Attorney deeds suggest that John Crawford did not have children

William Crawford

- listed on the Garrard County, KY tax list for 1797
- Tax list indicates that William Crawford owned 180 acres of land originally patented to John Kennedy

William Crawford is believed to be the brother of James Crawford

- Listed on the Garrard County KY tax list for 1797
- Tax list indicates that James Crawford owned 146 acres of land on Paint Lick Creek
- Married to Rebecca Anderson Maxwell
- Migrated to Indiana

Two Crawford widows, Rebekah and Mary, are also listed on these early tax lists. These

widows are believed to be sister-in-laws to James and William of the Paint Lick area.

Based on previous research of the family, it has been theorized that Rebekah's husband was John Crawford – and possibly the John Crawford that died in 1779 in Montgomery County, Virginia.

If the William Crawford in this court document is the same William Crawford shown on tax lists with land along the Paint Lick Creek, then it is possible that the John Crawford in this court document is his brother. This would mean that Rebekah Crawford's husband was not John Crawford, brother of William and James.

There are a lot of 'IFs' here and more documentation is needed, but at this time, I believe that John Crawford of Hanging Fork in Lincoln County may be the brother of James and William Crawford.

DNA ThruLines Potential Breakthrough

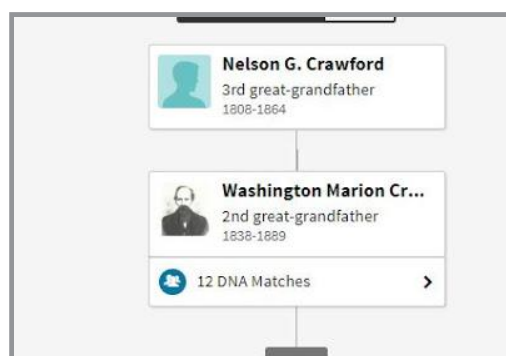
Thursday, February 28, 2019

Did you hear all about it yesterday? Both Ancestry and My Heritage announced new DNA tools. That combined with Diahan Southard's 'Connecting Your DNA Matches' presentation that was live streamed by RootsTech made for a BIG day in my DNA world.

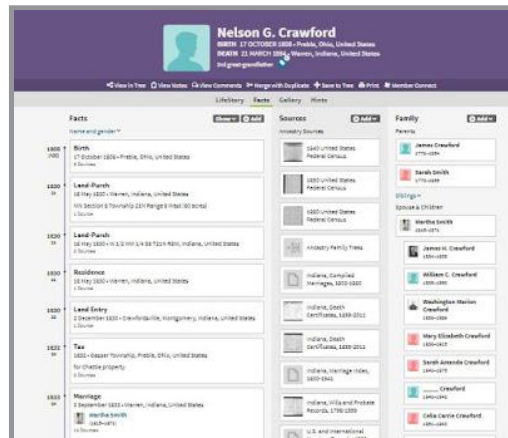
In Diahan's session, she discussed using Blaine Bettinger's Shared Centimorgan Project to help verify relationships suggested by DNA. Even though I was aware of and had contributed to Blaine's project, I had never used the results to analyze my cousin matches. During her presentation, Diahan talked about using a spreadsheet to keep track of this data.

Thus, I tried to create my own spreadsheet based on Diahan's presentation. So far, I haven't found any 'surprises' in the amount of shared DNA. However, I am finding an advantage to this type of spreadsheet for DNA matches. This type of spreadsheet will help me keep track of how I am related to my matches. Below is an image from my new spreadsheet. I have blacked out the identifying information for my matches.

While working on this spreadsheet, I was also going thru my Ancestry DNA 'ThruLines'. As I progressed thru the generations on my CRAWFORD line, I made a couple of discoveries. First, the DNA thru line for my 3rd great grandfather, Nelson Crawford, only showed matches thru my 2nd great grandfather, Washington Marion Crawford.

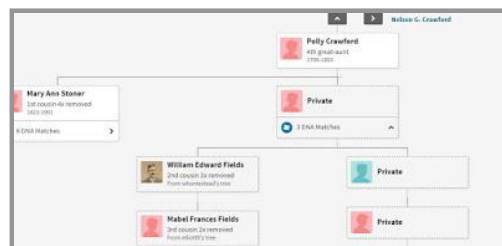


It did not show any DNA matches thru any of the other children of Nelson. This would explain why we never had a DNA circle for Nelson! I have Nelson's children and grandchildren in my tree.



At this point, I only have two explanations as to why matches aren't showing thru any of Nelson's other children. The first is that no descendant thru those lines has tested. The only other explanation I have is that some trees have those other children listed as descendants of James and Martha Crawford of Warren County, Indiana and not as descendants of Nelson Crawford. This second theory will require investigating!

As I made my way back another generation on my Crawford line to James Crawford of Preble County, Ohio, I discovered another potential granddaughter!



DNA Thru Lines suggested THREE potential DNA matches AND pulled data from two OTHER trees. When I looked at one of those other trees, I discovered Matilda Caroline Stoner as the mother of William Edward Fields. According to the ThruLines tree, Matilda Stoner would be a daughter to Polly Crawford and a granddaughter of James Crawford. I don't have Matilda Stoner in my tree. However, she could be a daughter of Polly Crawford that I've missed in my research. Thus, I've contacted all three matches and the tree owners to see if they can help verify or disprove this connection.

These may be little clues, but they are clues I would never have found prior to Ancestry's DNA ThruLines. Try it for yourself and see what you can discover!

Golden Legacy

Thursday, February 28, 2019

Does your family throw a big parties? Have you had the good fortune to celebrate Golden Anniversaries in your family?

My first exposure to a Golden Anniversary celebration was for my grandparents: Leon and Winnie Crawford.



My grandparents celebrated with a reception held in the church.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Crawford request the pleasure of your company at a Reception in honour of the Fiftieth Wedding Anniversary of their parents Mrs. and Mrs. Leon R. Crawford Sunday, the twenty-eight of December two o'clock in the afternoon United Methodist Church Dodge City, Kansas

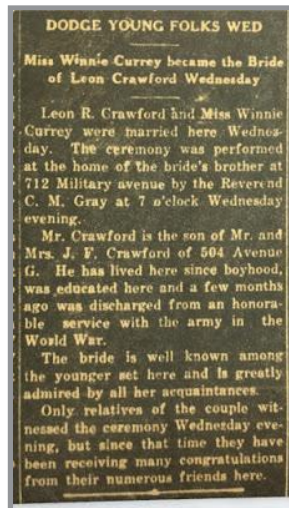


Clipping from Dodge City Globe saved by Winnie Crawford: To Have Open House — Mr. and Mrs. Leon Crawford, 911 Second Ave., who are celebrating their Golden Wedding Anniversary, will be honored at an open house Dec. 28 from 2 to 4 p.m. in the First United Methodist Church parlor. The couple was married Dec 24, 1919. Hosts for the occasion will be their son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Crawford, Marcia, David and Terry of Emporia. The honorees request no gifts.



Leon R. Crawford, aged 25, and Winnie Curry, aged 16, applied for a marriage license in Dodge City, Kansas on the 22nd of December, 1919. Consent for Winnie Curry's marriage was given by H. M. Curry. They were married on the 24th of December, 1919.

Their Marriage was reported on page one of the Dec. 26, 1919 issue of the Dodge City Daily Globe.
Dodge Young Folks Wed



Miss Winnie Currey became the Bride

of Leon Crawford Wednesday

Leon R. Crawford and Miss Winnie Currey were married here Wednesday. The ceremony was performed at the home of the bride's brother at 712 Military avenue by the Reverend C. M. Gray at 7 o'clock Wednesday evening.

Mr. Crawford is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Crawford of 504 Avenue G. He has lived here since boyhood, was educated here and a few months ago was discharged from an honorable service with the army in the World War.

The bride is well known among the younger set here and is greatly admired by all her acquaintances.

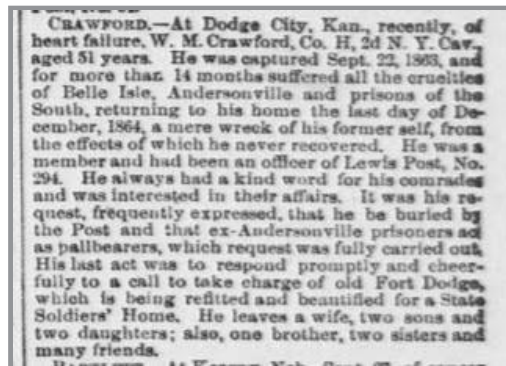
Only relatives of the couple witnessed the ceremony Wednesday evening, but since that time they have been receiving many congratulations from their numerous friends here.

Mustered Out

Friday, March 01, 2019

Have you ever discovered an obituary in a location that you never imagined? While searching for an obituary on a collateral line, I stumbled across a brief obit in a 'Mustered Out' column in the National Tribune (Washington, D.C.)

Since I had never encountered this type of obit before, I was curious to see if I could find an ancestor in a similar "Mustered Out" column. Thus, I searched for my great-great grandfather, Washington Marion Crawford who died in 1889. And – I found it!



Crawford — At Dodge City, Kan., recently, of heart failure, W. M. Crawford Co. H, 2d N. Y. Cav., aged 51 years. He was captured Sept. 22, 1863, and for more than 14 months suffered all the cruelties of Belle Isle, Andersonville and prisons of the South, returning to his home the last day of December, 1864, a mere wreck of his former self, from the effect of which he never recovered. He was a member and had been an officer of Lewis Post No. 294. He always had a kind word for his comrades and was interested in their affairs. It was his request frequently expressed, that he be buried by the Post and that ex-Andersonville prisoners act as pallbearers which request was fully carried out. His last act was to respond promptly and cheerfully to a call to take charge of old Fort Dodge which is being refitted and beautified for a State Soldiers' Home. He leaves a wife, two sons and two daughters; also, one brother, two sisters and many friends.

I don't know the extent of this 'Mustered Out' column, but I found an 1889 record and a 1910 record. Now, I need to search for all of my civil war veterans to see if I can find a mustered out entry for them!

Crawford vs. Cox

Saturday, March 02, 2019

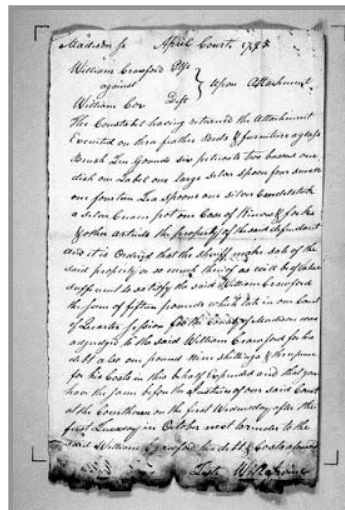
Gowns, Petticoats and Silver Spoons

Have you ever seen a court case ordering the sale of the household goods — including the gowns and petticoats — to pay a debt?

I admit I haven't looked at a lot of court records – but this one is new to me.

I found the court case when looking for documents relating to CRAWFORD family members in Madison County, Kentucky. The index for the Court of Quarter Sessions case files led me to Case #588 for William Crawford vs William Cox.

Image 2684



Madison SS
April Court 1798

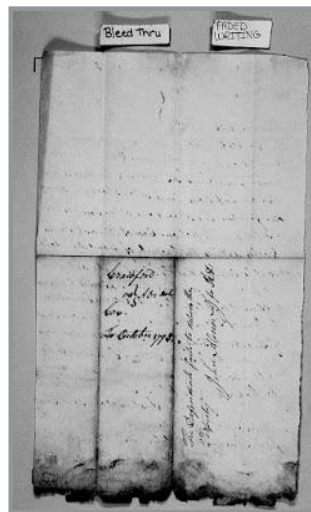
William Crawford Plff
against
William Cox Deft

Upon Attachment

The constabel having returned the attachment executed on three feather beds & furniture a glass brush ten gownds six petticoats two basons one dish one tabel one large silver spoon four small one fourteen tea spons one silver candelstick a silver cream pot one case of kinves & forks & other articels the property of the said defendant and it is ordered that the sheriff make sale of the said property or so much thereof as will be of value

sufficient to satisfy the said William Crawford
the sum of fifteen pounds which late in our court
of quarter sessions for the County of Madison was
adjudged to the said William Crawford for his
debt also one pound nine shillings and three pence
for hist costs in his behalf expended and that you
have the same before the Justices of our said Court
at the Courthouse on the first Wednesday after the
Last Tuesday in October next to render to the
said William Crawford his debt & Costs aforesaid.
Test Will Irvine

Image 2685



Bleed thru / faded writing
Back side of paper

Crawford
Vs
Cox

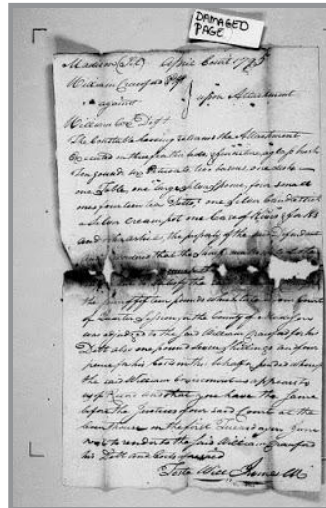
A Or [dsh]

To October 1795

written sideways
The Defendent failes to deliver the
property
John Adams [?]

After transcribing this file, I think a page found in case 587 actually belongs to case 588.
Read the page and decide for yourself!

Image 2673



Damaged page

Madison (Sct) April Court 1795 William Crawford [P?] against Upon Attachment William Core Deft

The Constable having returned the attachment executed on three feather beds, furniture, [a glass brush] Ten gownds six petticoats two basons one dish One table one large silver spoon four small One fourteen tea dittos one silver candlestick A silver cream pot one case of knives & forks And thes articles the property of the said defendant And is ordered that the sheriff make sale of the [damaged – can't read] much [damaged can't read] Sufficient to satisfy the said William Crawford The fine of sixteen pounds which late in our court Of quarter sessions for the count of Madison Was adjudged to the said William Crawford for his debt also one pound seven shillings and fourpense for his costs in the behalf [pended] whereof the said William Core is convict as appears tous of [Rund] and that you have the same before the Justices of our said Court at the Courthouse on the first Tuesday in Junenext to render tot hes aid William Crawford his debt and costs aforesaid Test Will June M

ThruLines Find

Sunday, March 03, 2019

Have you experimented with Ancestry ThruLines yet? If not, you have to check it out!

As I posted earlier, ThruLines suggested that Matilda Caroline Stoner was a granddaughter of James and Sally (Smith Duggins) Crawford.



Based on the family tree suggested by ThruLines, I was able to research the family of Matilda Caroline Stoner and William Harrison Fields. Thru that research I was able to follow descendants to my suggested DNA matches.

Fortunately, I was able to find a death certificate for Matilda Caroline that indicates her mother's maiden name was Crawford. Unfortunately, it did not give a first name.

As I kept following those shaky leaf hints for Matilda, I discovered a picture of Matilda, three of her daughters and her SISTER. I've been in contact with the owner of the photo to see if the photo contains the name of the sister. If so, this photo may be the clue to tie Matilda to the family of John and Polly Stoner.



Now, I'm looking for other photos, family letters or even gossip newspapers to tie Matilda to her siblings.

ThruLines Missing

Monday, March 04, 2019

I'm in love with how ThruLines is helping me learn more about my DNA matches. I wanted to show my husband how helpful this tool is.

Unfortunately, when I went to his DNA test to look at his ThruLines, the screen indicated he didn't have any.



When I check the DNA test for his mother, there are ThruLines.



I found this odd since both tests are attached to the same tree. Since the message indicated an issue with the tree, I started investigating the tree. A look at the pedigree view of his tree indicates that he has a fairly extensive tree.



Knowing that a lack of 'Ancestry sources' could cause issues with a tree, I checked one of his ancestors to see if he had any sources attached on his Ancestry tree.



I then checked his tree overview.



At this time, I can't figure out why one DNA test has ThruLines while another test does not when they are attached to the same tree. I have called Ancestry about this issue. While working with the tech, I discovered that there are issues on the Matches screen. When the 'Common Ancestor' filter is selected, no matches are returned.



On the main DNA screen, it indicates that there are 76 Shared Ancestor Hints.



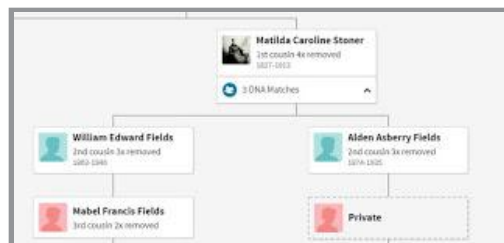
If I go back to circles, I can verify that there were at least 16 DNA circles prior to the switch to ThruLines.

Searchable Trees

Tuesday, March 05, 2019

Do you have a private tree on Ancestry? If so, I would like to convince you to make it searchable — especially if you have a DNA test attached to that tree. (See AncestryDNA ThruLines FAQ)

Ancestry's new DNA ThruLines tool is helping me figure out how I connect with my multitude of DNA matches. The clues provided on my James Crawford ThruLines have helped me identify another granddaughter, Matilda Caroline Stoner.



The clues provided by ThruLines were just enough for me to begin locating records to document this relationship in my tree. The ThruLines tool uses the PRIVATE box to show the generations I am missing before connecting with my DNA match.



Based on the information from ThruLines, I've been able to begin filling in this family in my tree. Since I've just begun researching Matilda's descendants, I still need to locate information on the descendants so I can validate this DNA Connection.

Children					
1	Elizabeth Fields	F	abt 1842	Indiana	1930
2	John Martin Fields	M	1850	Indiana	1930
3	David H. Fields	M	abt 1849	Indiana	1945
4	Martha Jane Fields	F	1850		1945
5	Sarah Ann Fields	F	abt 1850	Indiana	1930
6	Andrew Andrew Fields	M	1850		1930
7	Joseph F. Fields	F	abt 1850	Indiana	1930
8	William Edward Fields	M	20 Oct 1852	Jay, Indiana, United States	2 May 1940, Welles, Oregon
9	Charles O. Fields	M	abt 1854	Indiana	1930
10	Kenneth H. Fields	M	1857		1930
11	Valia Fields	F	abt 1859	Missouri, United States	1930
12	Bernard Fields	M	1871		1930
13	Edward Andrew Fields	M	abt 1874	Missouri, United States	14 Nov 1933, Vancouver, British Columbia, Washington
14	Christopher D. Fields	M	1894		1930

I wouldn't have any of this information without the hints provided by ThruLines. Thus, I would never have connected with the matches at the bottom of that private tree.

Please, help make ThruLines more powerful! If you have done a DNA test and have an unattached tree, attach the tree to your DNA test. If you have a private tree attached to your DNA, make that tree searchable.

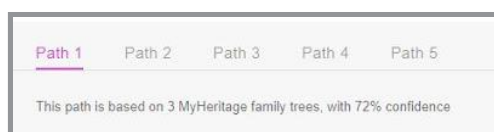
Theories, Trees, Brick Wall Ancestors

Wednesday, March 06, 2019

Last week, My Heritage announced their new DNA tool, Theory of Family Relativity. When I first looked at the Theories for my DNA kit, I was a little disappointed. I only had a few. Then some greater voice in the genealogy world reminded me why I only had a few.

My tree is basically a U.S. tree. The majority of DNA testers on My Heritage are European. Thus, I won't have as many matches on My Heritage and thus will have fewer Theories.

When I re-looked at one of those theories, I discovered a major clue — not in the DNA itself — but in the Theory paths. I hadn't noticed that a theory could have different paths.



Upon studying those paths, I discovered that they were using different trees to show a connection between myself and my DNA match. At times, the connection between the trees was with our common ancestor.



Other paths connected the trees at a descendant of the common ancestor.



Because of these various paths to connect ONE DNA match, I now have four more researchers that have my brick wall ancestor in their trees.

Source	Tree Name	Common Ancestor
My Heritage	Family Tree Legends	James Crawford
My Heritage	Stoner Family Website	
My Heritage	Butler Web Site	James Crawford
My Heritage	Stearns Web Site	James Crawford
My Heritage	Harvey Web Site	James Crawford

Since I don't do the bulk of my research in My Heritage, I doubt I would have found these connections on my own.

Thank you My Heritage for introducing this new tool!

More Taxes

Friday, March 08, 2019

Well, I'm chasing those Crawfords thru another set of Kentucky tax lists. This time, I'm looking in Pulaski County, Kentucky. Another Crawford researcher told me that the William Crawford found in the Madison County, Kentucky tax lists moved to Pulaski County prior to moving to Missouri.

On the off chance that I would find some of the other Crawford families in Pulaski County, I read the 1799-1822 tax lists. In addition to William Crawford, I found an Alexander Crawford who may be the same Alexander Crawford on the 1792 Madison County, Kentucky tax list.

The information I found regarding William Crawford shows that he paid taxes in Pulaski county for 1799-1802. William also owned 400 acres of land in Pulaski County. Since William does not appear on the Garrard County, KY tax lists after 1797, the Pulaski County information fills in the gaps between Garrard County and his arrival in Ste. Genevieve. However, I need to locate additional records to confirm this is the same William.



Name	Acres	Value	Owner	Value	Owner
William Crawford	400	200	Alexander Crawford	200	Alexander Crawford
Alexander Crawford	200	100	William Crawford	100	William Crawford
William Crawford	100	50	Alexander Crawford	50	Alexander Crawford

Alexander Crawford appears on the 1799 tax list with 200 acres of land on Buck Creek. Alexander is shown on the tax list with this 200 acres thru 1809. However, the Alexander Crawford listed in 1810 is not shown as owning any land. This Alexander Crawford without land continues to appear on the lists thru 1822.



Name	Acres	Value	Owner	Value	Owner
Alexander Crawford	200	100	James Crofford	100	James Crofford
James Crofford	100	50	Alexander Crawford	50	Alexander Crawford

There are potential sons for Alexander Crawford who do appear on the tax lists. James Crofford makes an appearance in 1805 as a male over 16. However, James Crofford is not listed on the same page as Alexander Crawford. This is the only listing for James Crofford.

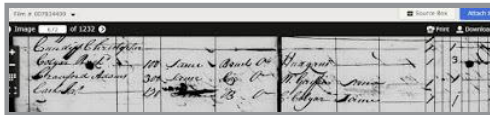


Name	Acres	Value	Owner	Value	Owner
Adams Crawford	200	100	Alexander Crawford	100	Alexander Crawford
Alexander Crawford	100	50	Adams Crawford	50	Adams Crawford

Adams Crawford appears on the tax list in 1811 as a male over 21. Alexander Crawford is listed on the same page, but there are two names between Alexander and Adams Crawford.



In 1814, Adams Crawford is listed along with a Joseph Crawford on the next page. Alexander Crawford was not found for this tax year.



In 1815, there are four Crawford listings: Adams, Joseph, Alexander and John. Adams and Alexander Crawford continue to be listed on the tax lists thru 1822.



In 1819, there is another clue about this potential family: Nancy Crawford. Nancy Crawford only appears on the 1819 list. Joseph no longer appears. Could Nancy be his widow?



There isn't enough information to conclude anything about Alexander. However, there are hints pointing to land records. These tax lists also suggest potential sons for Alexander.

Pulaski County Kentucky

Tax books 1799-1822
FS Film 8209 DGS 7834499

1799

image 7

Crawford William 200 acres Sinking [cr]DO Sam [G]ouchson – Wm Crawford – 1 male > 21, 1 male > 16, 2 horses

Crawford William 200 acres Sinking Cr – D0 – Wm Couchran – Wm Crawford

image 8

Crawford Alexander 200 acres Buck Cr – do – A Crawford – A Crawford 1 male > 21, 1 male > 16 8 horses

Image 10

Ellis, Joseph
Ellis, John

Image 14
Moore, Arthur
Moore, Alexander

Image 19
Stoner Michael

Image 23
1800

Image 27
Crawford [Samuel] 200 Pulaski Sinking a branch of pitman Wm Crawford Samuel
Caughron no patent Issued – 1 male > 21, 3 horses
Crawford, William 400 Pulaski – Sinking a branch of Pitman – Samuel & Wm Caughron –
Wm Crawford – no patent issued – 2 males > 21, 2 blacks > 16, 2 total blacks, 15 horses,

Image 34
Stoner Michel 100 acres

Image 40 – book 2?

Image 61 — Book 3

Image 64
Crawford Alexander 200 acres Pulaski County Birch Cr Crawford Alxr Same – 1 male >
21, 8 horses

Image 76
1801

Image 79 — C — very vague

William Crawford likely on this page – 1-0 – 2 – 2 – 1

image 87 – Book 2

Image 90
Crawford Alexander – 200 – Pulaski – Buck Creek – Alexander Crawford – same – 1 male
> 21, 7 horses

Image 102
1802

Image 105
Crawford William — 200 Pulaski, Pitman – Samuel Coughron – Wm Crawford – same – 1
male > 21, 1 Male >16, 4 blacks > 16, 5 total blacks, 17 horses

image 119 – book 2

Image 121

Crawford Alexander 200 — faded — but looks like Alexr Crawford grant — 1 Male > 21, 4 horses

Image 134

1803

Image 138-139 — C

No Crawford

image 154 — 1803 Added #2

Image 156

Crawford Alexander — 200 — Do — Birch Cr — Alexander Crawford — same — 1 male > 21, 4 horses

Image 168 — **1804**

Image 172

Crawford, Alexander — 200 — Ditto — Buck Creek — Alexr Crawford — same — 1 male > 21, 5 horses

Image 188 1804 Added

image 191-192 — C

No Crawford

Image 204

1805

Image 208

Crofford James — 1 male > 16, 1 horse

image 223 1805 added

Image 227

Crawford Alaxander 200 — do — Buck Cr — A Crawford- same — 1 male > 21, 6 horses

Image 245 — **1806**

image 251-251 — C

No Crawford

Image 272 — book 2

Image 275

Crawford Alexander — 200 — DO — Do — A Crawford — same — 1 male > 21, 1 male > 16, 1 black > 16, 2 total blacks, 3 horses

Image 196

1807

Image 301-302 – C
No Crawford

Image 321 – Book 2

Image 324

Crawford Alexander 200 – “ – B C – A Crawford – A Crawford – 1 male > 21, 1 male >16,
1 black >16, 3 total blacks, 3 horses

Crawford Alexander 500 – “ – Casey Creek – Burton – A Crawford

Image 342

1808

Image 346-348 – C
No Crawford

Image 367 – book 2

Image 370

Crawford Alexr – 200 – “ – B C – A Crawford – same – same – 1 male > 21, 2 males > 16,
5 horses

Image 390

1809

Image 394

Crawford Alaxander – 200 – do – Buck Cr – same – same – 1 male > 21, 1 male > 16, 2
horses

Image 417 – book 2

Image 440 – **1810**

C – image 447-451

Image 451

Crawford Alexander – 1 male > 21, 13 horses

Image 494

1811

C – Image 499

Image 502

Crawford Alexander – no land – 1 male > 21,

Crawford, Adams – no land – 1 male > 21, 4 horses

Image 546

1812

Image 554 – C

Image 556

Crawford Alexr – no land – 1 male > 21, 3 horses

Image 603

1813

Image 612 – C

Image 615

Crawford Alexr – no land – 1 male > 21 – no horses

Image 658

1814

Image 668 – C

Image 672

Crawford Adams – 300 – same – ? – W Griffin – same – 1 male > 21, 1 horse

Image 673

Crawford Joseph 250 Pulaski – S Valley – Thos McClure – same – 1 male > 21 – 1 horse

NO Alexander Crawford

Image 723

1815

Image 731 – C

Crawford Adams – 300 same – Clifty Creek – Wm Griffin – same – 1 male > 21, 2 horses

Crawford Joseph – 1 male > 21, 2 horses

Crawford, Alexander – 1 male > 21 – no horses

Crawford, John – 250 acres – sinking valley creek – Thos McIlwee – same – Thos Adams
– 1 male > 21, 2 horses

Image 779

1816

No Crawford

Image 844

1817

Image 852 – C

No Crawford

Image 901

1818

Image 911 – C

Image 911

Crawford Alexander – 1 male > 21

Crawford Adams – 300 acres – same – same W Griffin – same – 1 male > 21, 3 horses

Image 972

start of 1819

Image 979 – C

Image 983

Crawford Adams – 300 acres same – clifty cr – w Griffin – same – 1 male > 21, 5 horses

Image 984

Crawford Alexr – 1 male > 21

Crawford Nancy – 1 horse

Image 1037

1820

Image 1046 – C

Image 1049

Crawford Alexander – 1 male > 21

Crawford Adams – 300 – same – clefty cr – w Griffin – same – 1 male > 21 – 4 horses

Image 1095

1821

Image 1104 – C

Image 1109

Crawford Adams – 300 – same – clifty – WGriffn – same – 1 male > 21, 5 horses

Image 1159

1822

Image 1170 – C

Image 1174 –

Crawford Adams — 300 Pulaski — rest too dark to read – 1 male > 21, 1 horse

Crawford Alexander – no land – 1 male > 21

Deeds and Heirs

Saturday, March 09, 2019

I love it when I find a deed listing heirs! Do you?

I thought I was going to learn the heirs of Alexander Crawford of Pulaski County, Kentucky when I found the following in the Pulaski County, Kentucky Grantor Index

1843 Crawford et al Alex C — Martha Crawford — Book 13, page 330

Unfortunately, this wasn't a deed for the Alexander Crawford I found in the Pulaski County, Kentucky tax lists.

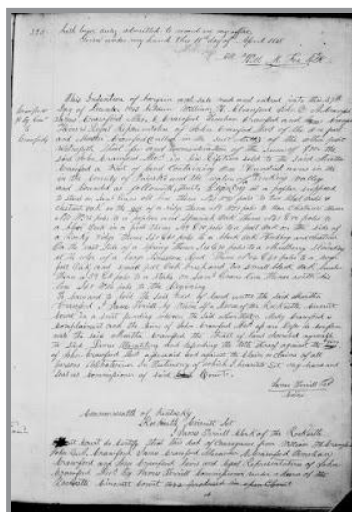
However, this deed does identify the HEIRS of John Crawford. If you have a Crawford family in Rockcastle County, Kentucky, then this deed might break down some walls.

Pulaski County Kentucky
Deeds, 1799-1901; index to deeds 1799-1934

Deeds, V. 13 1846-1850
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Image 176



This Indenture of bargain and sale made and entered into this 27th Day of December 1843 between William H.C Crawford John Q A Crawford James Crawford Alex C Crawford [Timelean] Crawford and Jones Crawford heirs & legal representative of John Crawford Decd of the one part and Martha Crawford (called in the suit Matty) of the other part witnesseth that for and in consideration of the sum of \$70 the said John Crawford decd in his lifetime sold to the said Martha Crawford a tract of land containing one hundred acres in the

in the county of Pulaski and the waters of the Sinking Vally
and bounded as followeth (to wit) Beginning at a poplar supposed
to stand on Saml Evans old line thence N 41 W 90 poles to two black oaks &
chestnut oak in the gap of a ridge thence N 9 W 53 poles to the Chestnuts thence
N 31 W 52 poles to a poplar and Spanish Oak thence N 41 E 35 poles to
a black oak in a pint thence S 69 E 70 poles to a post oak on the side of
a rocky ridge thence S 40 E 40 poles to a black oak Hickory and chestnut
on the east side of a spring thence S 14 E 70 poles to a mulberry standing
at the edge of a large limestone rock thence N 84 E 40 poles to a large
post Oak and small post Oak bush and two small black oak bushes
thence S 59 E 10 poles to a stake on Saml Evans line thence with his
line S 48 W 114 poles to the beginning

To have and to hold the said tract of land until the said Martha
Crawford I James Terrill by virtue of a decree of the Rockastle circuit
court in a suit pending wherein the said Martha (cc) Matty Crawford is
complainant and the heirs of John Crawford Decd as are defts do confirm
unto the said Martha Crawford the tract of land described agreeable
to said decree [Waranting] and defending the title thereof against the heirs
of John Crawford decd aforesaid and against the claim or claims of all
persons whatsoever in testimony of which I hereunto set my hand and
seal as commissioner of said court

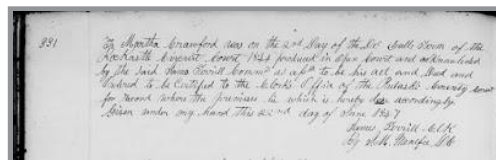
James Terrill
Coms

Commonwealth of Kentucky
Rockastle Circuit Sct

I James Terrill Clerk of the Rockastle

Circuit Court do certify that this deed of conveyance from William H Crawford
John Q A Crawford, James Crawford Alexander C Crawford Timolean
Crawford and Jones Crawford heirs and legal Representatives of John
Crawford Decd by James Terrill Commissioner under a decree of the
Rockastle Circuit Court

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To Martha Crawford was on the 2nd Day of Dec (call) term of the
Rockastle Circuit Court 1844 produced in open court and acknowledged
by the said James Terrill Commr as afsd to be his act and deed and
ordered to be Certified to the Clerks Office of the Pulaski Count Court
for record where the premises lie which is hereby done accordingly
given under my hand this 22nd day of June 1847.

James Terrill Clk
By I M Menefee DC

Adams Crawford Land

Sunday, March 10, 2019

From my research in the Pulaski County, Kentucky tax records, I knew that Adams Crawford owned land in Pulaski County. In order to try and figure out whether Adams Crawford might be related to my Crawford Research, I tracked down the deed where Adams Crawford purchased land.

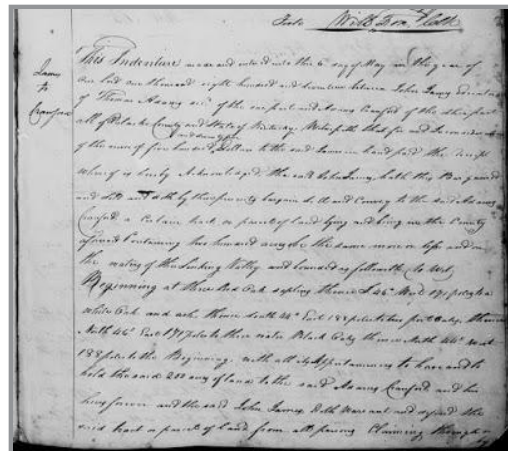
Pulaski County Kentucky

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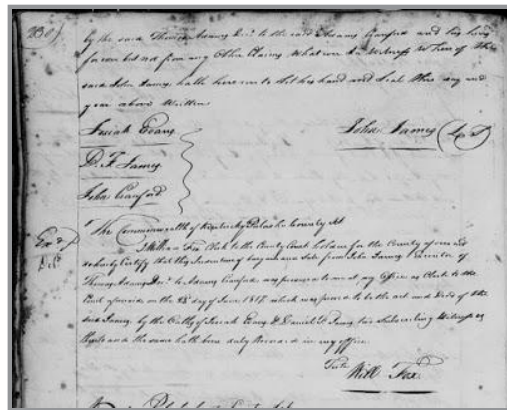
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Deed where Adams Crawford purchases land.



This indenture made and entered into this 6th day of May in the year of our lord one thousand eight hundred and seventeen between John James executor of Thomas Adams and of the one part and Adams Crawford of the other part all of Pulaski County and State of Kentucky witnesseth that for and in consideration of the sum of five hundred and seventy five dollars to the said James in hand paid the receipt

whereof is hereby acknowledged the said John James hath thus bargained and doth and [with] by these presents bargain sell and convey to the said Adams Crawford, a certain tract or parcel of land lying and being in the county aforesaid containing two hundred acres be the same more or less and on the waters of the Sinking Vally and bounded as followeth to wit Beginning at thence Red Oak sapling thence S 46 degrees west 171 poles to a white oak and ash thence south 44 degrees east 188 poles to two post oaks thence north 46 degrees east 171 poles to three water Black Oaks thence north 44 degrees west 188 poles to the beginning with all its appertanances to have and to hold the said 200 acres of land to the said Adams Crawford and his heirs forever and the said John James doth warrant and defend the said tract of parcel of land from all persons claiming through or by



by the said Thomas Adams dec'd to the said Adams Crawford and his heirs
forever but not from any other claims whatever in witness whereof the
said John James hath herein to set his hand and seal this day and
year above written

John James

Witnesses

Josiah Evans

D F James

John Canford

Honored

Monday, March 11, 2019

The Topeka Genealogical Society Annual Conference is coming. Have you registered yet?

Michael J. Hall, a Kansas native, will be the featured speaker on Saturday. Mr. Hall has an extensive background in genealogy, including his current position as Deputy Chief Genealogical Officer at FamilySearch.

Mr. Hall will present four sessions on Saturday.

- Over the Flint Hills and Over the Plains: The Value of Military Records and Newspapers
- Inspiring Family Stories: Finding the Grain of Truth
- Ad Astra Per Aspera (To the Stars Through Difficulty): Kansas Land Records
- A Little of This and a Little of That: Effectively Using FamilySearch.org

On Friday afternoon, there will be breakout sessions

Breakout Session 1: 12:30 – 1:20 PM

- Doughboys of World War I – Dr Richard Faulkner
- Observer – Brick Wall Consultation – Michael J. Hall

Breakout Session 2: 1:30 – 2:20 pm

- Fraternal Organizations for Research – Danni Altman-Newell
- Observer – Brick Wall Consultation – Michael J. Hall

Breakout Session 3: 2:30 – 3:20 pm

- Researching the Shady Side of the Family Tree – Barb LaClair
- Observer – Brick Wall Consultation – Michael J. Hall
- *Tour of the State Historical Archives – KHS Staff Member

Breakout Session 4: 3:30 – 4:20 pm

- Do You Have Mayflower Ancestors? – Della Regenold
- Observer – Brick Wall Consultation – Michael J. Hall

During the 'Observer – Brick Wall Consultation' sessions, Mr. Hall will deduct 'deep dive' sessions with selected individuals to discuss one of their genealogical brick walls.

I am HONORED to have been selected as one of the four brick wall consultations! For my application, I submitted my fourth great-grandfather, James Crawford (1772-1854). Below is my research question:

Who is the father of James Crawford?

NOTE: Same Name issue with researching this James Crawford

- Next door neighbor in Preble County, Ohio was James Crawford (1770-1833) who married Martha Knight in 1793 in Lincoln County, KY. This James Crawford migrated to Warren County, IN where he died. Also migrating to Warren County, IN at about the same time was Nelson G. Crawford, the son of James and Sally (Smith Duggins) Crawford.
- There is a third James Crawford (1758-1836) living in Madison and Garrard counties

in Kentucky prior to 1800. This James Crawford was married to Rebecca Anderson and migrated to Jennings County, IN and then to Jefferson County, IN.

- Garrard County KY histories refer to a Rev. James Crawford. There was a Rev. James Crawford (1752/3 – 1803) at Walnut Hill Presbyterian Church in Fayette County, KY. Rev. James Crawford was married to Rebecca McPheeters.
- DAR applications by descendants of James Crawford and Rebecca Anderson appear to have records mixed up with a James Crawford (1757-1836) who resided in Fleming County, KY. This James Crawford was married to Sarah Vansant.

I'm overwhelmed to have been chosen for this honor. I look forward to hearing what Mr. Hall has to say about my brick wall. I'm also looking forward to learning from the various sessions and from others attending the conference.

Please join me in Topeka on April 5th and 6th at the

Topeka Genealogical Society Annual Conference

Register Today

Adams Will

Monday, March 11, 2019

Since the deed for Adams Crawford's purchase of land was from the estate of Thomas Adams, I decided to try and locate a probate record or will for Thomas Adams. I was able to locate an 1808 will for Thomas Adams in Pulaski County.

Pulaski County, Kentucky

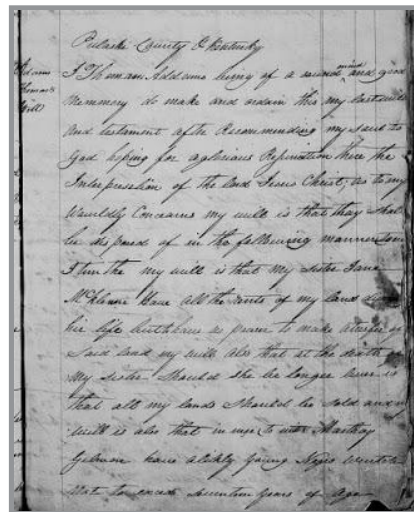
Wills 1801-1838

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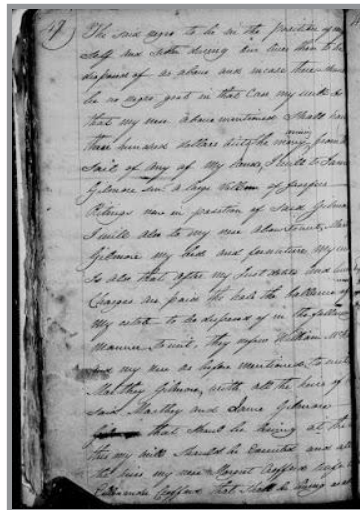
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Pulaski County Kentucky

Adam Thomas

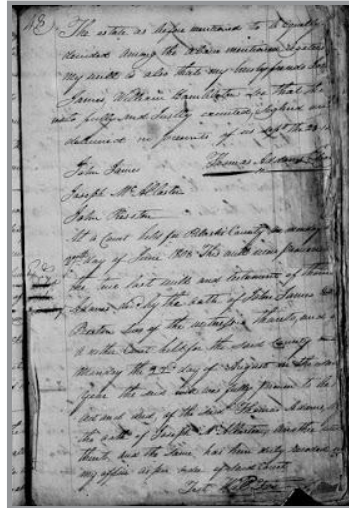


I Thomass Addams being of a sound mind and good memory do make and ordain this my last will and testament after recommending my soul to God hoping for a glorious resurrection there the interpresilion of the Lord Jesus Christ; as to my worldly concerns my will is that they shall be disposed of n the following manner to wit [Item] the my will is that my sister Jane McLlewee have all the rents of my land during her life but to have no power to make a tresfer of said land my will also that at the death of my sister should she be longer lives is that all my lands should be sold and my will is also that in [nesse] to wit Marhtay Gilman have a likely young Negro wentch not to excede seventeen years of age



The said negro to be in the position of my self and sister during our lives then to be disposed of as above and in case there should be no negro goal in that case my will is that my nese above mentioned shall have three hundred dollars out of the money arising from the sail of any of my lands, I will to Jane Gilmore sew a large Vallom of [Jasefus] Ritins now in posssion of said Gilman I will also to my nese above to wit Martha Gilmore my bed and fernuture my will is also that after my just debts and being charges are paid the hole the ballence of my estate to be disposed of in the following manner, to wit, they nefew William McK[?] and my nese as before mentioned to wit Marthy Gilmore with all the heirs of the said Marthey and Jane Gilmore that shaul be livint at the [t?] this my will should be executed and all the heirs my nese Margret Crofford wife of Alexander Crofford that shall be living as a[?]

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The estate as before mentioned to be equally
decided among the above mentioned legatees
my will is also that my trusty friends John
James, William Hamilton see that the
into fully and justly executed signed and
delivered in presents of us Sept the 23 1[?]

Thomas Addams

John James
Joseph McAllaster
John Presston

At a Court held for Pulaski County on Monday
27th day of June 1808 This will was proven
the true last will and testament of Thomas
Adams decd by the oath of John James [J?]
Preston two of the witnesses thereto and [?]
another court held for the said county
Monday the 22d day of August in the said
year the said will was fully proven to be [?]
act and deed, of the said Thomas Adams [?]
the oath of Joseph McAllaster, another wit[ness]
thereto, and the same has been duly recorded in
my office as per order of said court
Test Will [Fox]

Alexander Crawford Marriage

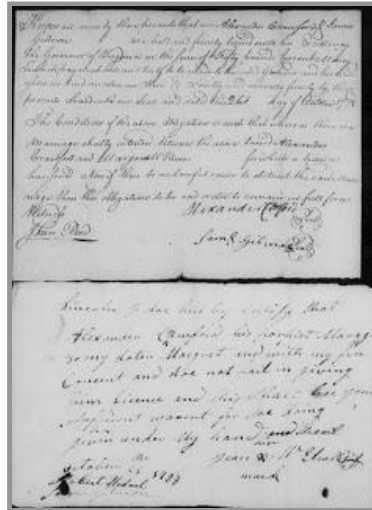
Tuesday, March 12, 2019

KY-Lincoln-Marriages 1793-1841

Loose Papers, files 1-6 1781-1809

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Image 190



Know all men by these presents that we Alexander Crawford & James
Gilmore are held and firmly bound unto his Excellency
the Governor of Virginia in the sum of Fifty pounds current money
to which payment well and truly be made to the said Governor and his Suc-
cessors we bind ourselves our heirs & jointly and severally firmly by these
presents sealed with our seals and dated this 21st day of October 1788
The condition of the above obligation is such that where as there is a
marriage shortly intended between the above bound Alexander
Crawford and Margaret McElwee for which a licence
has issued now if there be no lawful cause to obstruct the said mar-
riage then this obligation to be void or else to remain in full force
Alexander Crofford
Saml Gilmore
Witness
John Reed

Lincoln I doe here by certify that
Alexander Crawford his propist marage
to my dater Margret and with my free
concent and doe not fail in giving
him licence and this shall bee your
sifficent warent for [soe] doing
given under my hand and seal
October 25th 1788

Jean MEIwee (mark)
Robert [Modnel]
Saml Gilmore

Logan vs McElwee

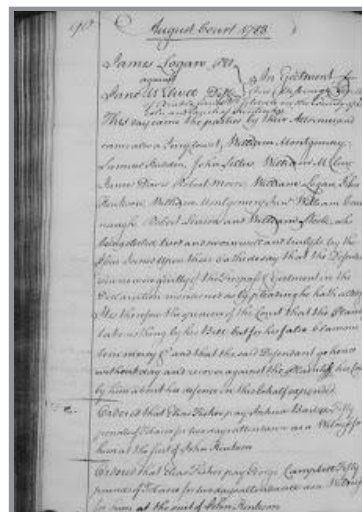
Wednesday, March 13, 2019

Lincoln County Kentucky
Court Order Books 1781-1919

Vols. 1-2 1781-1786
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Image 115
August Court 1783

James Logan Plt
against
Jane McElwee Deft



In Ejectment for
One [Ucssue] ten acre
of arable land situate in the county of Lin
coln and Parish of Kentucky

This day came the parties by their Attornies, and
came also a Jury (to wit) Wiliam Montgomery
Samuel Haddon, John Sellers, William McClure
James Davis, Robert Moore, William Logan, John
Hinkson William Montgomery Junr, William cavva
naugh, Robert Leason and William Steele, who
being elected tried and sworn well and truly to try the
Issue joined upon their oaths do say that the defendant
is in no wise guilty of the tresspass & ejectment in the
declaration mentioned as by pleading he hath alledged
It is therefore the opinion of the Court that the Plaintiff
take nothing by his Bill but for his false clamour
be in mercy and that the said defendant go hence

without day and recover against the Plaintiff his costs
by him and his defence in this behalf expended

Image 116

August 1783

Ordered that Jane McElwee pay Thomas [Phalin]
fifty pounds of tobacco for two days attendance as a
Witness for her at the first of James Logan

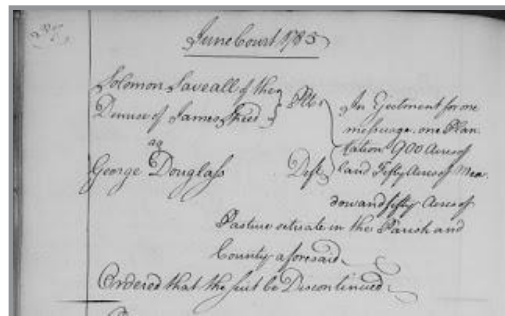
Suit Against George Douglass

Thursday, March 14, 2019

Lincoln County Kentucky
Court Order Books 1781-1919

Vols. 2 1785-1786
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A suit against George Douglass for ejectment was discontinued.
Image 339



June Court 1785

Solomon Saveall of the Parish of James Speed Plaintiff
George Douglass Defendant
In Ejectment for one messuage one plantation 900 acres of land fifty acres of meadow and fifty acres of pasture situate in the Parish and County aforesaid
Ordered that the suit be discontinued

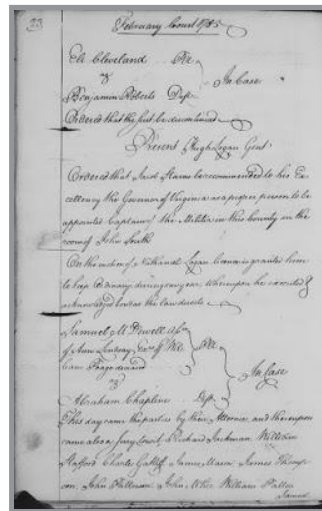
John Crawford on Jury

Thursday, March 14, 2019

Lincoln County Kentucky
Court Order Books 1781-1919

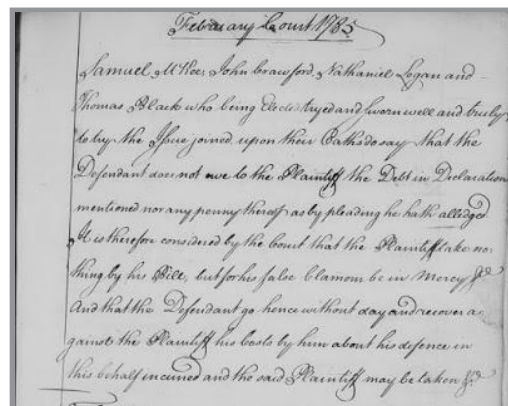
Vols. 2 1785-1786
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John Crawford served on a jury in the February 1785 court for Lincoln County, Kentucky
Image 325



February Court 1785

Samuel McDowell asseeof Ann Lindsay Exr of William Poage Deceased PItagAbraham
Chapline DeftIn CaseThis day dam the parties by their Attornies, and there uponcame
also a jury, to wit, Richard Jackman, WilliamStafford, Charles Gabliff, James Mason,
James THompson, John Patterson, John McKee, William Patton, SamuelContinued on
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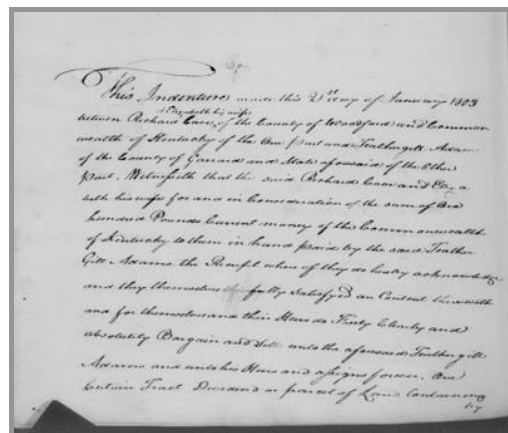
Samuel McKee, John Crawford, Nathaniel Logan and Thomas Black who being elected tryed and Sworn well and truly to try the Issue joined upon their Oaths do say that the Defendant does not owe to the Plaintiff the Debt in Declaration mentioned nor any penny thereof as by pleading he hath alledged. It is therefore considered by the Court that the Plaintiff take nothing by his Bill, but for his false clamour be in Mercy and that the Defendant go hence without day and recover against the Plaintiff his Costs by him about his defence in His behalf incurred and the said Plaintiff may be taken.

Feathergill Adams Deed

Thursday, March 14, 2019

Garrard County Kentucky
Deed Book A
page 690 – 691

This Indenture made this 21st day of January 1803
between Richard Cave & Elizabeth his wife of the county of Woodford and Common
wealth of Kentucky of the one part and Feathergill Adams
of the county of Garrard and State aforesaid of the other
part witnesseth that the said Richard Cave and Eliza
beth his wife for and in consideration of the sum of one
hundred pounds current money of the Commonwealth
of Kentucky to them in hand paid by the said Feather
Gill Adams, the receipt where of they do hereby acknowledge
and they themselves fully satisfied an content therewith
and for themselves and their heirs de freely clearly and
absolutely bargain and sell unto the aforesaid Feathergill
Adams and unto his heirs and assigns forever, one
certain tract dividend or parcel of land containing by



survey one hundred acres situate lying and being in the
County of Garrard on Sugar Creek and bounded as follows to wit
Beginning at two white oak trees, the North East corner of the
aforesaid Caves four hund acre survey on the aforesaid Sugar
Creek from thence west sixty four poles crossing Sugar Creek
to a Beech Tree form thence South forty five Degrees West
one Hundred and thirty three poles to a Sugar Tree from thence
South two degrees East twenty Eight Poles to a Buckeye &
Sugar Tree from thence East one hundred and sixty
poles to a Beech and Black Walnut tree standing on a
hill side in Caves old line and with said line North
one hundred and sixty six poles crossing Sugar Creek
to the beginning with tis appertainances to him the said
Feathergill Adams and to his heirs and assigns forever

and the said Richard Cave and Elizabeth his wife for them
selves and their heirs do and shall and will by these presents
forever warrant and defend the Title of the afore said one
hundred acres of Land be the same more or less with all and
every of its rites and appertinances against the claim or
claims of all and every other person or persons whatsoever
unto the aforesaid Feathergill Adams and unto his heirs
and assigns forever. In testimony where of the aforesaid
Richard Cave and Elizabeth his wife hath hereunto set their
hands and affixed their seals the day and year first above
written.

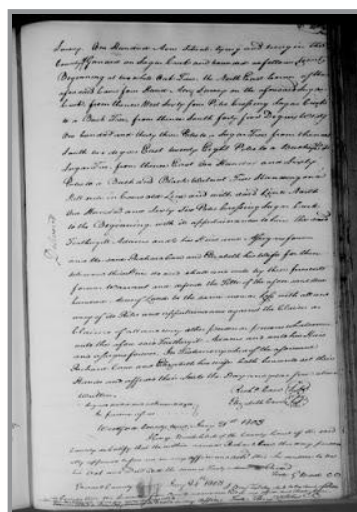
Richd Cave
Elizabeth Cave
Signed Sealed and acknowledged
in presence of us

no names listed

Woodford County to wit Jany 21st 1803
I George Brook Clerk of the County Court of the said
county do certify that the within named Richard Cave this day person
ally appeared before me in my office and ackd this in denture to be
hi act and deed and the same is Freely adm to record
Test G Brook C O

Garrard County Jany 24th 1803
I Benj Lotcher Clerk to the oOurt offr do

do certify that this indenture from Cave to Adams was [Esd] in my office and that [It was]
with the certificate thereon was admitted
committed a true copy thereof to record in my office
Teste Benj Letcher CC



Two of Them

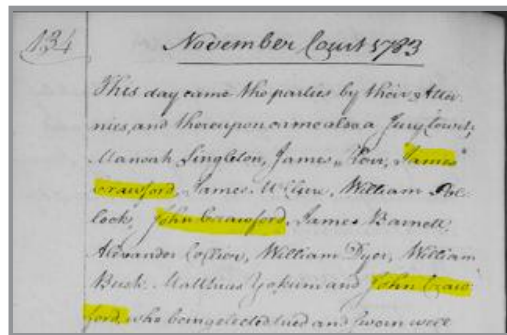
Friday, March 15, 2019

Have you ever suspected that there were two men of the same name in a community but lacked the proof? Once I discovered John Crawford owning land on the Hanging Fork of Dix River, I've wondered about the possibility of two John Crawfords.

Thanks to the help of other researchers, I've placed two brothers, James and William living along Paint Lick Creek. We've suspected that their brother's (John) widow was Rebecca Crawford who purchased land from George Douglass.

The deeds found for the John Crawford land on Hanging Fork do not support his being the father of the Sarah and Mary Crawford who married William and James Sellers in Lincoln County, Kentucky. Thus, it is unlikely that he is the husband of Rebecca Crawford.

As I was reading the Lincoln County Court Order book for 1783, I came across verification of TWO John Crawfords living in the area at that time. These records also show that William and James Crawford were also living in that vicinity at that time.



In the November Court of 1783, William Crawford was a defendant in a case brought by Jonathan Taylor. This petition was dismissed.

During that same court (November 1783) a jury was seated for the case of Ebenezer Miller, Executor of Cough Overton deceased against Arthur Owings. That jury included James Crawford, John Crawford and John Crawford. Yes – TWO – John Crawfords are listed on the jury.

Just in case I thought the clerk mistakenly wrote the name down twice, another case, William Overall against James Wray, also has James Crawford, John Crawford and John Crawford on the jury.

So, my theory is that the William Crawford named as a defendant and the James Crawford on the juries are the brothers living along Paint Lick. I believe one of the John Crawfords is the John Crawford owning land on Hanging Fork. I believe the other John Crawford is the brother to James and William and husband of Rebecca Crawford (or Mary Crawford).

If my theory about the second John Crawford is correct, then I should find mention of his

death in these court proceedings or in the proceedings for Madison or Garrard counties.
Thus, I need to continue reading court order books!

Image 157

November Court 1783

John King Assee of
James Espy who was
Assee of Jonathan Taylor
against
William Crawford Deft
Upon a petition

Ordered that the petition be discontinued

Image 158 (continues on next page)

November Court 1783

Ebenezer Miller – Executor
of Clough Overton Deceased Plt
agt
Arthur Owings Deft
In Debt

Image 159 – page 134

This day came the parties by their attornies and there upon came also a jury, to wit, Mansah Singleton, James Kerr, James Crawford, James McClure, William Pollock, John Crawford, James Barnett Alexander Collier, William Dyer, William Bush, Matthias Yokum and John Crawford who being elected tried and sworn well and truly to try the Issue joined upon their oaths do say that the defendant does owe to the Plaintiff the debt in the declaration mentioned and they do assess the plaintiffs damages by occasion thereof to eight pounds in discharge of that debt it is therefore considered by the court that the plt recover against the said defendant his damages afore said in form aforesaid assessed and his costs by him in this behalf expended and the said defendanting mercy

Image 160

page 135 November Court 1783

William Overall Plt
against
James Wray Deft

in Trespass

This day came the parties by their Attornies and there upon came also a Jury to wit, James Kerr, James Crawford, James McClure, William Pollock, John Crawford, James Barnett, Alexander Collier, William Dyer, William Bush, John Crawford, James Allen and a Nehemiah Poor who being elected tried and sworn well and truly to try the Issue joined upon their oaths do say that the defendant is in no wise guilty of the trespass in the Declaration mentioned as by pleading he hath alledged it is therefore the opinion of the court that the plaintiff take nothing by his bill but for his false clamour be in mercy and that the said defendant go hence without day and recover against the plaintiff his cost by him about his defence in this behalf responded.

Maybe Brothers

Saturday, March 16, 2019

Have you ever found people of the same surname in a census record and later wondered whether they were an unknown sibling? If so, then you understand when I wonder whether Alexander Crawford could be a sibling to the other Crawfords who married in Lincoln County, Kentucky prior to 1800?

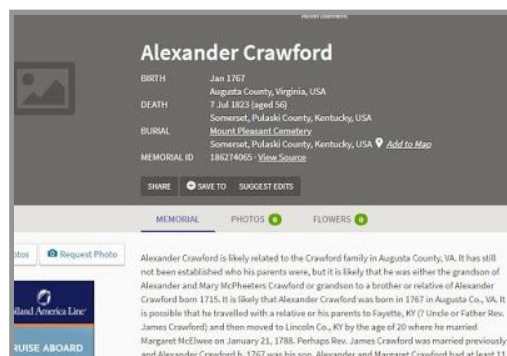
Alexander Crofford is listed on the 1789 tax list for Lincoln County, Kentucky. Even though I have been researching other Crawford families in this area, I had ignored Alexander Crofford because other researchers have identified Alexander Crawford as a descendant of Alexander Crawford and Mary McPheeters.

However, when I found Alexander Crawford on the Pulaski County, Kentucky tax lists along with William Crawford, I began to research Alexander Crawford.

- Adams Crawford Land
- Adams Will

The will of Thomas Adams identified the wife of Alexander Crawford as Margaret McElwee, niece of Thomas Adams. Since Alexander Crawford married Margaret McElwee in Lincoln County, Kentucky in 1788, I believe the Alexander Crawford of Pulaski County, Kentucky is the same Alexander Crawford found in the Pulaski County records.

The Find a Grave entry for Alexander Crawford uses family relationships in Augusta County, Virginia to make the case that the Alexander Crawford of Pulaski County, Kentucky is likely descended from Alexander and Mary McPheeters Crawford — or a relative of this Alexander Crawford.



I would like to argue that Alexander Crawford is related to one or more of the Crawford families in early Lincoln and Madison Counties.

First, most of the connected families identified on the Find a Grave site are found in Lincoln County. William McElwee appears on court records for 1783. Several Logan family members are on the 1787 tax list for Lincoln County, Kentucky.

Also located in Lincoln County, Kentucky are several Crawford family members: James Crawford, John Crawford, William Crawford, Rebekah Crawford and Mary Crawford.

William Crawford and James Crawford lived along the Paint Lick Creek. Tax records indicate that both owned land surveyed by the Kennedys. This William Crawford is the same William Crawford found on the Pulaski County Kentucky tax records along with Alexander Crawford.

Besides Alexander Crawford, three other Crawfords were married in Lincoln County, Kentucky. Mary Crawford marriage James Sellers in 1791. James Crawford married Martha Knight in 1793. Sarah Crawford married William Sellers in 1795. Rebekah Crawford gave permission for the marriage of Mary and Sarah. It is believed that Rebekah Crawford's maiden name was Douglas. Nathan Douglas and James Crawford provided the bond for the marriage of James and Martha. Thus, Mary, James and Sarah are believed to be children of Rebekah and thus siblings.

Alexander Crawford and Margaret McElwee were married in 1788 in Lincoln County, Kentucky. Unfortunately, none of the names listed on the marriage bond connect Alexander Crawford to the other Crawfords. However, the date and place support the theory that Alexander Crawford is a sibling of Mary, James and Sarah Crawford.

At this time, all I have is circumstantial evidence tying Alexander Crawford to the other Crawford families in Lincoln County, Kentucky. I invite all Alexander Crawford researchers to join me in trying to locate documentation of Alexander's parents.

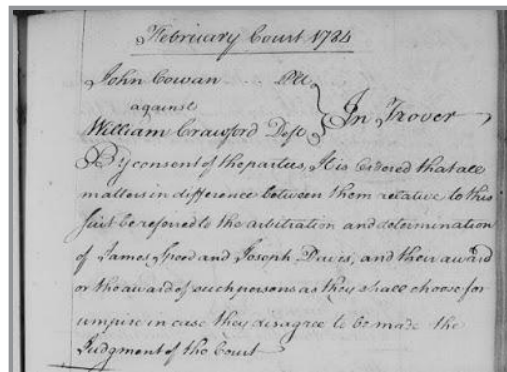
Cowan vs Crawford

Sunday, March 17, 2019

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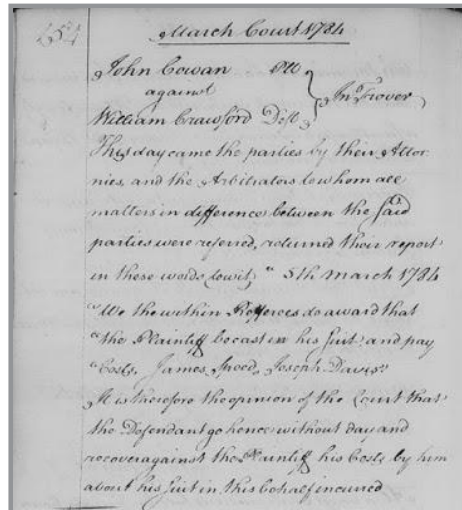


February Court 1784

John Cowan Pltf
against
William Crawford Deft
In Tx over

By consent of the parties, it is ordered that all matters in difference between them relative to this first be referred to the arbitration and determination of James Speed and Joseph Davies and their award or the award of such persons as they shall choose for umpire in case they disagree to be made the judgement of the court

Image 179



page 154
 March Court 1784

John Cowan Plt
 against
 William Crawford Deft
 In [Trover or Frover]
 This day came the parties by their attor-
 nies and the arbitrators to whom all
 matters in difference between the said
 parties were referred, returned their report
 in these words, to wit, 5th March 1784
 "We the within refferees do award that
 The plaintiff be cast in his suit and pay
 costs. James Speed, Joseph Davis
 It is therefore the opinion of the Court that
 the defendant go hence without day and
 recover against the plaintiff his costs by him
 about his suit in this behalf incurred

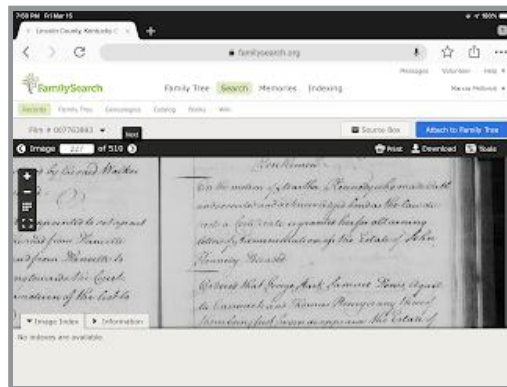
John Kennedy Deceased

Monday, March 18, 2019

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Image 227



July court 1784

On the motion of Martha Kennedy who made oath and executed and acknowledged bond as teh law di rects a certificate is granted her for obtaining letters of Administration of the Estate of John Kennedy Deceased

Ordered that George Hart, Samuel Denis Aquil la Carmack and and Thomas Henry or any three of them being first sworn do appraise the Estate of John Kennedy deceased and return the apprais ment to the court

DNA Common Ancestor

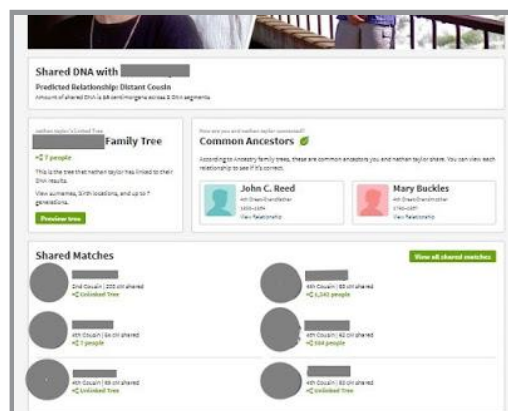
Tuesday, March 19, 2019

Have you used the new Ancestry DNA match filters? Thanks to these new filters, I've been looking at my NEW matches who may share a common ancestor with me.



In the past, I would click on the match's tree to see if I could figure out how we connected. When the match's tree only has a few people, that becomes a challenge. Today, I tried clicking on the shaky leaf and discovered that Ancestry is doing some of the work for me.

Clicking on that shaky leaf opens a screen comparing our DNA that also suggests a common ancestor. This suggested common ancestor is based on shared matches.



At this point, this is just a clue. However, it is a clue that helps focus research to figure out how we are connected.

Since I have added descendants for many of my lines, I can sometimes figure out how we might connect. In this case, I haven't done enough forward research to have a clue how our lines connect. Either way, I can message the match with a link to that section of my tree to see if they can figure out whether we connect.

Thank you Ancestry for providing these hints!

1785 Kentucky Court

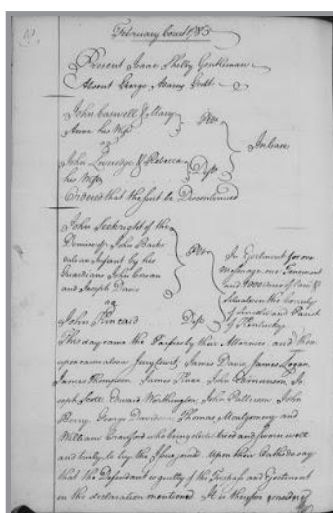
Wednesday, March 20, 2019

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Court Order Books 1781-1919

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William Crawford served on a jury in the Lincoln County, Court during the February 1785 term.

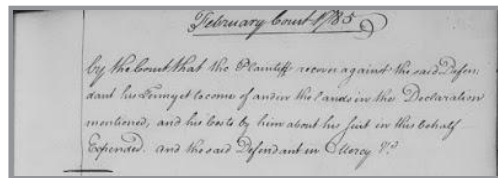
Image 321



February Court 1785
John Seekright of the Demise of John Parks
[?ale] an Infant by his
Guardians John Cowan
and Joseph Davis Plt
ag
John Kincaid
In Ejectment for one
[messuage] one tenement
and 1000 acres of land
Situate in the County
of Lincoln and Parish
of Kentucky

This day came the parties by their Attornies and there
upon came also a jury, to wit, James Davis, James Logan
James Thompson, James Knox, John Edmunson, Jo
seph Scott, Edward Worthington, John Patterson, John
Berry, George Davidson, Thomas Montgomery and
William Crawford who being elected tried and sworn well

and truly to try the Issue joined upon their oaths do say
that the Defendant is guilty of the Trespass and Ejection
in the declaration mentioned, It is therefore considered
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by the court that the Plaintiff recover against the said Defen
dant his [Tennyet] to come of and in the lands in the Declaration
mentioned, and his costs by him about his suit in this behalve
expended and the said defendant n Mercy.

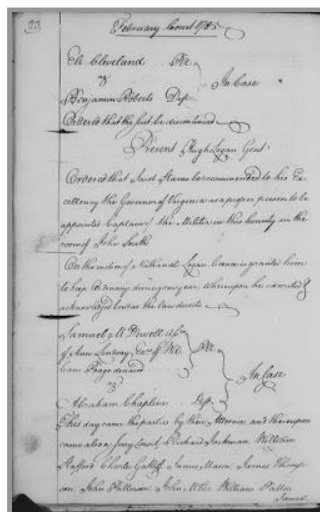
John Crawford on Jury

Thursday, March 21, 2019

Lincoln County Kentucky
Court Order Books 1781-1919

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John Crawford served on a jury during the February 1785 Court in Lincoln County, Kentucky.
Image 325



February Court 1785

Samuel McDowell assee
of Ann Lindsay Exr of Wil
liam Poage Deceased Plt
ag
Abraham Chapline Deft
In Case

This day dam the parties by their Attornies, and there upon
came also a jury, to wit, Richard Jackman, William
Stafford, Charles Gabliff, James Mason, James THomp
son, John Patterson, John McKee, William Patton, Samuel
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February Court 1785

Samuel McKee, John Crawford, Nathaniel Logan and
 Thomas Black who being elected tryed and sworn well and truly
 to try the Issue joined upon their Oaths do say that the
 Defendant does not owe to the Plaintiff the Debt in Declaration
 mentioned nor any penny thereof as by pleading he hath alledged
 It is therefore considered by the Court that the Plaintiff take no
 thing by his Bill, but for his fals clamour be in Mercy
 And that the Defendant go hence without day and recover a
 gainst the Plaintiff his Costs by him about his defence in
 this behalf incurred and the said Plaintiff may be taken for
 Default

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Suit Against George Douglass

Friday, March 22, 2019

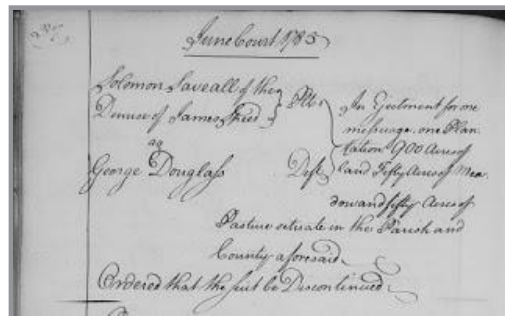
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A suit against George Douglass for ejectment was discontinued.

Image 339



June Court 1785

Solomon Saveall of the
Demise of James Speed Plt
as
George Douglass
In Ejectment for one
Missuage one plan
tation 900 acres of
land fifty acres of mea
dow and fifty acres of
pasture situate in the Parish and
County aforesaid
Ordered that the suit be discontinued

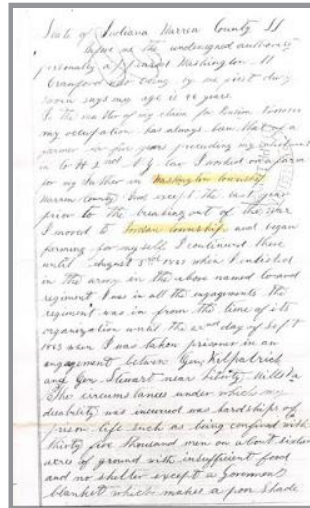
Washington Crawford Affidavit

Saturday, March 23, 2019

Affidavit from Washington Marion Crawford's Pension File

State of Indiana Warren County SS

Before me the undersigned authority personally appeared Washington M Crawford who being by me first duly sworn says



my age is 46 years.

In the matter of my claim for pension No 170744 my occupation has always been that of a farmer. For five year preceding my enlistment in Co H 2nd NY Cav I worked on a farm for my father in Washington township Warren County Ind except the last year prior to the breaking out of the war I moved to Jordan township and began farming for myself. I continued there until August 3rd 1861, when I enlisted in the army in the above named Co and regiment. I was in all the engagements the regiment was in from the time of its organization until the 22nd day of Sept 1863 when I was taken prisoner in an engagement between Gen Kilpatrick and Gen Stewart near Liberty Mills Va.

The circumstances under which my disability was incurred was hardships of prison life such as being confined with thirty five thousand men on about sixteen acres of ground with insufficient food and no shelter except a government blanket which makes a poor Shade

and no shelter from the rain whatever. I passed the winter of 1863 and 1864 in Bell Isle and in March 64 I was taken to Andersonville Ga where I incurred the disability during the summer of 1864. I went from there to Charleston SC and there eighteen days and was then taken to Florence SC where on the 7th of Dec 64 I was paroled in the agreement between two Commissioners to exchange ten thousand sick. I arrived home in June 1865 and remained on the old homestead with my mother and was treated by Dr Tebbs and Dr Greeley who are both deceased. In 1866 I lived in Jordan township, tried farming and received treatment from Dr Frankeberger who is also deceased. In 1867 I lived in Washington township followed farming and was again treated by Dr Greeley. I remained in Washington township until 1871 when I moved to Pike township and followed farming there until 1873 when I again moved to Washington township where I have remained to the present and have been following farming.

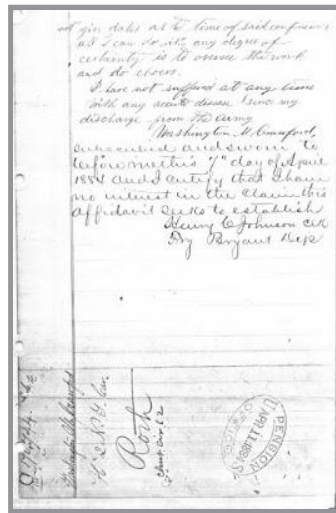
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I am a constant sufferer with the following troubles: rheumatism, neuralgia, bronchitis, piles, and the effects of Scurvy in my feet. My treatment since the death of Drs Tebbs of Williamsport Ind, Dr Greeley of West Lebanon Ind, and Dr Frankeberger of Jordan has been by Dr Leech who now resides at Crawfordsville Ind, Dr T B Campbell of West Lebanon, Ind and Dr. Osborne of West Lebanon Ind. I have performed manual laboring ever since the war except the first year immediately after the war. I have not been able at any time since the war to do a full day's work. The fact that my feet are so affected that I cannot stand the walking, my muscles also pain me so that I am compelled to stop from not able to do more than one fourth as much of any kind of farm work as I could before the war. When I do any heavy work it brings on piles when I am exposed I suffer with bronchitis all the time. I must be slow and undergo great difficulties and with great pain. I am frequently exposed to the cold and sometimes to my bed but I can

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not give dates as to time of said confinement. All I can do with any degree of certainty is to oversee the work and do chores.

I have not suffered at any time with any acute disease since my discharge from the Army.

Washington M Crawford

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 7th day of April 1884 and I certify that I have not interest in the claim this affidavit seeks to establish.

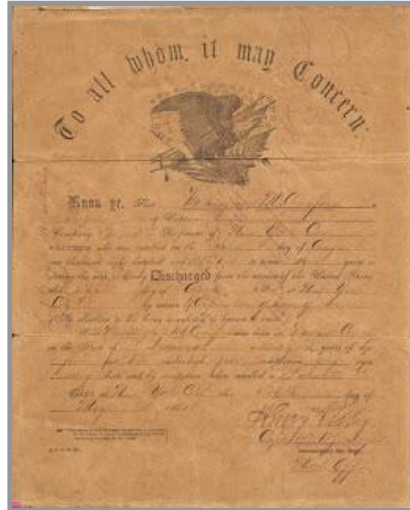
Henry C Johnson, Clk.

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Crawford Discharge

Sunday, March 24, 2019

To all whom it may concern



Know ye, That Washington M. Crawford a
Sergeant of Captain
Company (H) 2nd Regiment of New York Cav.
Volunteers who was enrolled on the third day of August
one thousand eight Hundred and sixty one to serve three years or
during the war, is hereby Discharged from the service of the United States
this eight day of April 1865, at New York
City by reason of Expiration of term of service.
No objection to his being re-enlisted is known to exist.
Said Washington M. Crawford was born in Warren County
in the State of Indiana, is twenty six years of age
five feet ten inches high fair complexion, grey eyes
sandy hair, and by occupation, when enrolled, a farmer.
Given at New York City, this Sixth day of
May 1865
Henry [Allen]
Capt 12/3 U.S. Infnt
[Must] Off

Prisoner

Monday, March 25, 2019

General Affidavit
State of Indiana
County of Warren

In the matter of the original invalid pension claim of
Washington M. Crawford

Personally came before me, a Henry C. Johnson, Clerk WCC, in and for
aforesaid County and State, Washington M. Crawford,
West Lebanon, Ind.

aged 41 years, well known to me to be a reputable and entitled to credit, and who, being
duly

sworn, declare in relation to aforesaid case, as follows:

I was taken prisoner Sept. 22, 1863 and was
released Dec 10 1864 my term of service expired
August 3 1864 soon after my return to Annapolis
Md I was furloughed home and remained there
sixty days then I was sent to NY City
and discharged never having seen the regim
to which I belonged and never even
having any symptom of Bronchitis
before my imprisonment I was never
treated by my regimental Surgeon

Washington M. Crawford

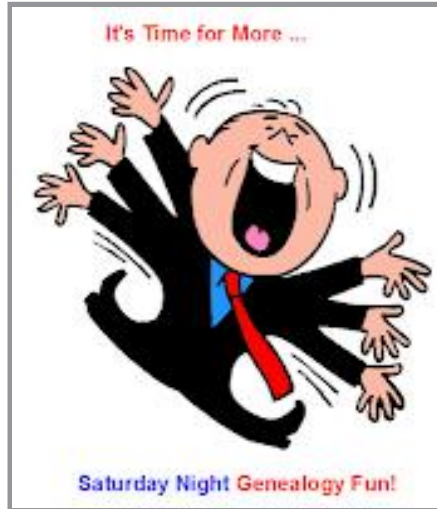
Attest
John C Goodwine
Jacob G McClean

Birth Order

Tuesday, March 26, 2019

Do you ever look at your genealogy information in a different way — just for the fun of it?

I find that doing Randy Seaver's 'Saturday Night Genealogy Fun' blog posts helps me see my data in a different way — even though I'm just doing it to participate in a fun activity.



This week's challenge, should you accept it:

1. Pick one of your ancestral lines — any one — patrilineal, matrilineal, zigzag, from a famous ancestor, etc. Pick a long one if you can.
2. Tell us which position in the birth order that your ancestor was in each generation. For example "third child, first son." Also list how many children were born to these parents.
3. Share your Birth Order work with the community on your own blog post, in a comment to Randy's original post, or in a comment on Facebook, et.

I thought about doing my Germanna line (Briles) but switched to my DAR line.

1. Marcia Crawford, eldest child and only daughter
2. Eugene Crawford was the second child of three, eldest son of Leon and Winnie Crawford. Eugene's siblings both died young.
3. Leon Russel Crawford (1894-1976) was the second child of seven of Judson Foster Crawford and Josie Winifred Hammond. Leon was the eldest son.
4. Josie Winifred Hammond (1874-1954) was the 7th child of 9 of Richmond Fisk Hammond and Sarah Ellen Ralston. Josie was the youngest daughter. She had 2 younger brothers.
5. Richmond Fisk Hammond (1840-1928), was the 10th child of 11 of Horatio Hammond and Louisa Fisk. Richmond was the youngest son.
6. Horatio Hammond (1798-1879) was the youngest of six children of Jason Hammond and Rachel Hale.
7. Jason Hammond (1762-1830) was the eldest child of 9 children born to Nathaniel Hammond and Dorothy Tucker.

8. Nathaniel Hammond (1733-1817) was the eldest child of 4 children born to Elijah Hammond and Mary Kingsbury.
 9. Elijah Hammond (1711-1800) was the youngest of seven children born to Isaac Hammond and Ann Hendrick.
 10. Isaac Hammond (1668-1715/6) was the fourth of seven children born to Thomas Hammond and Elizabeth Stedman.
 11. Thomas Hammond (abt 1630-1678) was the oldest of four children born to Thomas Hammond and Elizabeth Cason.
 12. Thomas Hammond (1603-1675) was my immigrant ancestor on this line. I do not have much information on Thomas and his family.
- Most of the information on this family came from two books.

- *Genealogy of the Family of Horatio Hammond, Ontario Illinois in the Direct Line from Thomas Hammond* (Galesburg, Illinois: Colville Printer, 1876).
- *History and Genealogies of the Hammond Families in America With an Account of the Early History of the Family in Normandy and Great Britain* (Oneida, NY: Ryan & Burkhart, 1904).

Heirs of James Crawford

Tuesday, March 26, 2019

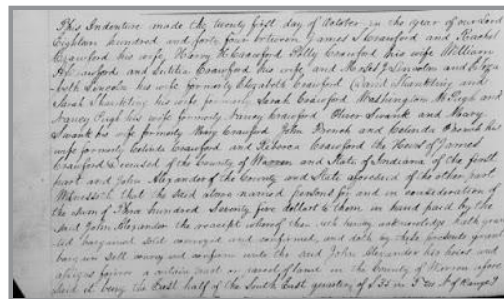
While obtaining a digital image of a deed, I decided to re-do my research of land records in Warren County, Indiana for the Crawford surname. Not only does my ancestor, Nelson G. Crawford, and his descendants have land records in Warren County, but also the James Crawford married to Martha Knight and his descendants have land records in Warren County.

One of the finds (or re-finds) from this deed research was a deed identifying the heirs of James Crawford and Martha Knight.

Warren County Indiana
Deeds

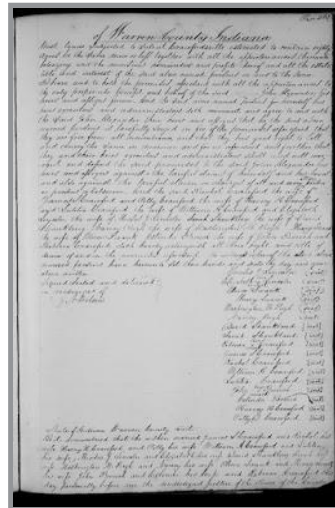
Book 8 – Deed records, v. 8-9, 1844-1848 FS film 1977053

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This Indenture made the twenty first day of October in the year of our Lord Eighteen hundred and forty four between James S Crawford and Rachel Crawford his wife, Harvy H Crawford, Polly Crawford his wife William H Crawford and Lutitia Crawford his wife and Moses J Lincoln and Eliza beth Lincoln his wife formerly Elizabeth Crawford David Shankling and Sarah Shankling his wife formerly Sarah Crawford Washington M Pugh and Nancy Pugh his wife formerly Nancy Crawford Oliver Swank and Mary Swank his wife formerly Mary Crawford John French and Celinda French his wife formerly Celinda Crawford and Rebecca Crawford the Heirs of James Crawford Deceased of the County of Warren and State of Indiana of the first part and John Alexander of the County and State aforesaid of the other part Witnesseth that the said above named persons for and in consideration of the sum of Three Hundred Seventy five dollars to them in hand paid by the said John Alexander the receipt whereof thea doth hereby acknowledge hat granted bargained sold conveyed and confirmed, and doth by these presents grant bargain sell convey and confirm unto the said John Alexander his heirs and assigns forever a certain tract or parcel of land in the County of Warren afore said it being the East half of the South East quarter of S35 in T21 N of Range 9

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of Warren County Indiana

West lands subjected to sale at Crawfordsville estimated to contain eighty acres to be the same more or less together with all the appurtenances thereunto belonging and the reversions remainders and profits thereof and all the estate title and interest of the said above named persons in and to the same To have and to hold the premises aforesaid with all the appurtenances to the only proper use benefit and behoof of the said John Alexander, his heirs and assigns forever. And the said above named persons for himself his heirs executors and administrators doth covenant and agree to and with the said John Alexander their heirs and assigns that he the said above named parson is lawfully seized in fee of the premises aforesaid that they are free from all incumbrance, and that they has good right to sell and convey the same in manner and form aforesaid and further that they and their heirs executors and administrators shall and will warrant and defend the said premises to the said John Alexander his heirs and assigns against the lawful claims of himself and his heirs and also against the lawful claim or claims of all and every other person or persons whatsoever. And the said Rachel Crawford the wife of James S Crawford and Polly Crawford the wife of Harvey H Crawford and Lutitia Crawford the wife of William A Crawford and Elizabeth Lincoln the wife of Moses J Lincoln Sarah Shankling the wife of David Shankling Nancy Pugh the wife of Washington M Pugh Mary Swank the wife of Oliver Swank Celinda French the wife of John French and Rebecca Crawford doth hereby relinquish all their right and title of dower of and in the premises aforesaid In witness whereof the said above named parsons have hereunto set their hands and seals the day and year above written.

Moses J Lincoln (seal)

Elizabeth her mark Lincoln (seal)

Oliver Swank (seal)

Mary Swank (seal)

Washington M Pugh (seal)

Nancy Pugh (seal)

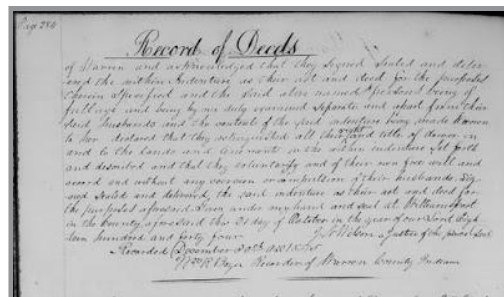
David Shankland (seal)

Sarah Shankland (seal)
Rebecca her mark Crawford
James S Crawford (seal)
Rachel Crawford (seal)
William A Crawford (seal)
Lutitia Crawford (seal)
John his mark French (seal)
Celinda French (seal)
Harvey H Crawford (seal)
Polly D Crawford (seal)

Singed Sealed and Delivered
in presence of
J [N] Wilson

State of Indiana Warren County to wit
Be it remembered that the within named James S Crawford and Rachel his
wife Harvy H Crawford and Polly his wife William A Crawford and Lutitia
his wife, Moses J Lincoln and Elizabeth his wife, David Shankling Sarah his
wife Washington M Pugh and Nancy his wife Oliver Swank and Mary Swank
his wife John French and Celinda his wife and Rebecca Crawford this
day personally before me the undersigned Justice of the Peace of the County

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Record of Deeds
of Warren and acknowledged that they signed sealed and deliv
ered the within indenture as their act and deed for the purposes
therein specified and the said above named persons being of
full age and being by me duly examined separate and apart from their
said husbands and the contents of the said indenture being made known
to her declared that they relinquished all their right and title of dower in
and to the lands and tenements in the within indenture set forth
and described and that they voluntarily and of their own free will and
accord and without any coercion or compulsion of their husbands sig
ned sealed and delivered the said indenture as their act and deed for
the purposes aforesaid. Given under my hand and seal at Williamsport
in the County aforesaid this 21 day of October in the year of our Lord eigh
teen hundred and forty four. J. N. Wilson a Justice of teh peace (seal)
Recorded December 30th AD 1845
Wm R Boyer Recorder of Warren County Indiana

Miller Affidavit

Wednesday, March 27, 2019

The following affidavit by James H. Miller is part of the pension file for Washington Marion Crawford.

State of Il
County of Macon



I James (H) Miller a resident of Decatur
County of Macon State of Illinois late
Private of Company H of the 2nd Regiment
of N.y. Cavalry vols; on oath depose
and say that I was well acquainted with
Washington M Crawford lad a sergeant of Comp
any H of the 2nd Regiment of New York Cavalry Vols.
in the war of 1861 and while in the military service
of the United States in the line of his duty and
without fault or improper conduct of his own
while confined in Andersonville prison in the
State of Georgia from March 1864 to the 9th
day of September same year said Soldier
contracted disease induced by starvation and exposure
which was usually termed scurvy and rheumatism
but having no technical knowledge of such diseases can
only say that he was affected very much as a great
many others were by extreme loss of flesh and delib
itated condition and with swelling of the extremities
I was with him in other prisons besides Anderson
ville and it was the common talk among comrades of
my company that we never expected to see him get out
alive and my impression was when I saw him last
that he would not then live a month.
I pass this judgment on the symptoms he seemed

to have

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in comparison with men who died from the effects
of starvation

I am fully convinced in my own mind that his
entire dibility was caused

by lack of proper food and other cruelties perpetrated on
prisoners at Andersonville as he was always healthy
and ready for duty when with the company.

Such a length of time having now lapsed I do not
know that I could enumerate all the prisons
that he was in with me but if any stronger statement
is necessary on my part I shall cheerfully give it.

I know the facts above stated from my own
personal knowledge as I was with him before is
capture, during his incarceration and at the time of
his release, but cannot now state where I parted
with him after release.

I am not in any way interested in this claim for
pension my post office address is Decatur, Macon
Co. Ill. Box 167
James H Miller
A. G. Present

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 21st
day of November AD 1883 I certify that I read the
foregoing affidavit to the affiant before execution
and that the affiant is to me well known and
is respectable and worthy of full credit as a witness
and that I am not interested in this claim for
pension.

G. P. Hardy Clerk

(official signature)

Certificate of Disability

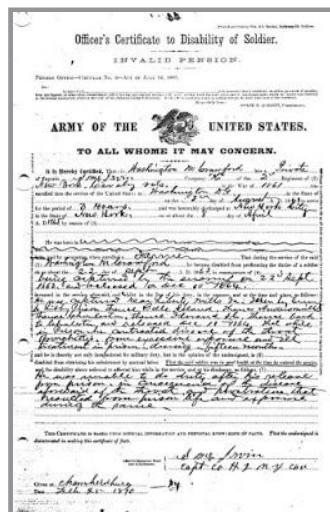
Thursday, March 28, 2019

Pension File of Washington Marion Crawford

Officer's Certificate of Disability of Soldier
Invalid Pension

Pension Office – Circular No. 6 – Act of July 14, 1865

Army of the United States
To All whome It May Concern



It is hereby Certified, that (1) Washington M Crawford late a Private of Captain [Jame] Irvin Company H of the 2nd Regiment of (2) New York, Cavalry vols, in the War of 1861 was enrolled into the service of the United States at Washington DC in the State of _____ on the 3rd day of August A.D. 1861 to serve for a period of 3 years, and was honorably discharged at New York City in the State of New York on or about the 8 day of April A.D. 1865 by reason of (3) _____

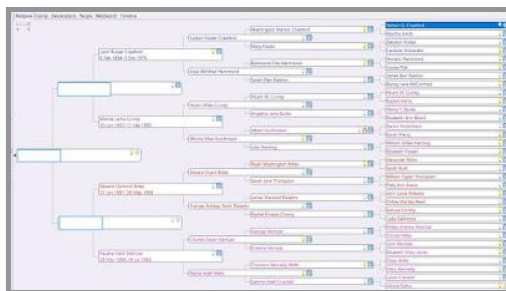
and by occupation when enrolled a farmer. That during the service of the said (1) Washington M Crawford he became disabled form performing the duties of a soldeir on or about 22 day of Sept A.D. 1863, in consequence of (4) being captured by the enemy on 22d Sept 1863 and released on Dec 10 1864. incurred in the service aforesaid and whilst in the line of his duty, in the manner and at the time and place, as follows:
He was captured near Liberty Mills Va. Taken by Enemy to Libby Prison thence Belle Island, thence Andersonville thence Charleston, thence Florence SC thence back to Liberty and released Dec. 10 1864. That while in Prison he contracted disease of the throat

bronchitis from excessive exposure and ill
treatment in prison during fifteen months
and he is thereby not only incapacitated for military duty, but in the opinion of the
undersigned, is (6)
disabled from obtaining his substance by manual labor. That the said soldier was in good
health at the time he entered the service
and the disability above referred to affected him while in the service and at his discharge,
as follows, (7)
He was unable to do duty after his release
from prison, in consequence of the disease
aforesaid of the throat and [prostration]that
resulted from prison life and exposure
during the same.
This certificate is based upon official information and personal knowledge of facts. That
the undersigned is
disinterested in making the certificate of facts.
[Smie] Irvin
Capt Co H 2 N Y Cav
Given at Chambersburg
Date Feb 25 1870

12 Generations

Friday, March 29, 2019

Last week's '52 Ancestors' prompt was '12' Based on that prompt, I decided to try and figure out what 12th generation ancestors I had identified. I have 7 generations identified on all lines. However, do I have any 12 generation ancestors.



I was somewhat surprised to find that I do have TWELVE generations for a few of my lines.

Hammond Line

- Thomas Hammond (1603-1675)
- Henry Kingsbury – father of Joseph Kingsbury, grandfather of Nathaniel Kingsbury (1684-1763)

Briles Line

- Martin Breuel (1622-1691)
- Anna Duerr (1600-1682)

Ricketts Line

- Thomas Ricketts Sr (1659-1722)
- Margrit _____ (? – 1707)
- John Nicholson (abt 1651-?)
- Rebeckath _____ (1655 – ?)

These lines are NOT the lines I slave over trying to find information. Instead they are lines others slaved over – and either published or shared their research.

Will of James Crawford

Friday, March 29, 2019

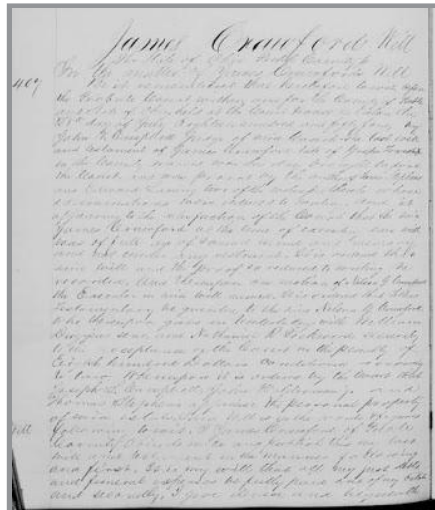
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James Crawford Will

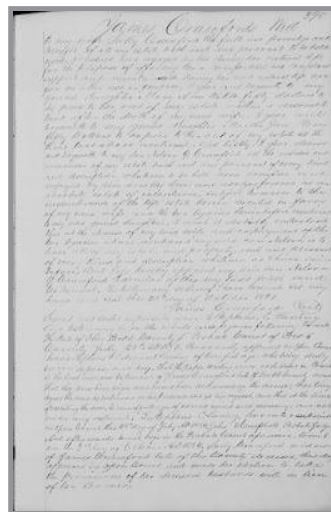
The State of Ohio Preble County

In the Matter of James Crawfords Will

Be it remembered that heretofore to with before
the Probate Court within and for the County of Preble
and State of Ohio, held at the Court House in Eaton the
28th day of July Eighteen hundred and fifty four, by
John V. Campbell Judge of said Court the last will
and testament of James Crawford late of Gasper Township
in the County deceased was this day brought before
the Court and was proved by the oaths of Isaac Stephens
and Edward Laning two of the witnesses thereto whose
examinations were reduced to writing, and it
appearing to the satisfaction of the Court that the said
James Crawford at the time of executing said will
was of full age of sound mind and memory
and not under any restraint. It is ordered that
said will and the proof so reduced to writing be
recorded. And thereupon our motion of Nelson G. Crawford
the Executor in said will named. It is ordered that Letters
Testamentary be granted to the said Nelson G. Crawford
who thereupon gave in Undertaking with William
Duggins senr. and Nathaniel R Lockwood security
to the acceptance of the Court in the penalty of

Eight hundred Dollars conditioned according to law whereupon it is ordered by the Court that Joseph L. Campbell, John Halderman jr and Thomas Stephens appraise the personal property of said estate said will is in the words & figures following to wit. I James Crawford, of Preble County Ohio, do make and publish this my last will and testament in the manner following and first. It is my will that all my just debts and funeral expenses be fully paid out of my estate and secondly, I give devise and bequeth

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to my wife Sally Crawford the full use privilege and benefit of all my estate both real and personal to be held used, occupied and enjoyed by her during her natural life for the purposes of affording her a comfortable and competent support and maintainance during her said natural life and for no other use or purpose. I give and bequeth to my grand daughter Mary Ann Wikle fifty dollars to be paid to her out of my estate within a reasonable time after the death of my said wife. I give and bequeth to my grand daughter Martha Jane Stoner fifty Dollars to be paid to her out of my estate at the time last above mentioned. And lastly, I give, devise and bequeth to my son Nelson G Crawford all the residue and remainder of my estate both real and personal of every kind and description whatever to be held used occupied and enjoyed by him and his heirs and assigns forever as an absolute estate of inheritance subject however to the incumbrance of the life estate herein created in favor of my said wife and the two legacies herein before mentioned to my said grand daughters. I wish it distinctly understood that at the decease of my said wife and on payment of the

two legacies above mentioned my said son Nelson is to have all of my estate and property, real and personal of every kind and description whatever as I have said before and I do hereby appoint my said son Nelson G. Crawford Executor of this my last will and testament. In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 25th day of October 1851
James Crawford (seal)

Signed and sealed in the presence of us: I Stephens E Laning said testimony is in the word and figures following to wit
The State of Ohio Preble County Probate Court of Preble County July 28th AD 1854. Personally appeared in open Court Isaac Stephens & Edward Laning of lawful age, who being duly sworn depose and say that the paper writing now exhibited in Court is the last will and testament of James Crawford late of Preble County deceased That they saw him sign and heard him acknowledge the same; that they signed the same as witnesses in his presence and at his request and that at the time of executing the same, he was of full age, of sound mind and memory, and not under any restraint. I, Stephen E Laning, Sworn & subscribed in open Court the 28th day of July AD 1854, John W. Campbell, Probate Judge
And afterward to wit: before the Probate Court aforesaid, to wit on the 3rd day of October AD 1854 Sally Crawford widow of James Crawford late of this county deceased this day appeared in open court and made her election to take the provisions of her deceased husbands will in lieu of her dower.

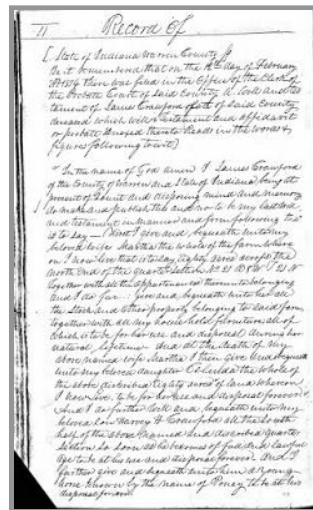
James Crawford Will

Saturday, March 30, 2019

The will of James Crawford, husband of Martha Knight, was entered into court records on 12 February 1834 in the Probate Court of Warren County, Indiana.

Indiana, Wills and Probate Records, 1789-1999, James Crawford, 5 Sep 1931; database with images, Ancestry.com <http://www.ancestry.com> : viewed online March 2019.

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Record of

[State of Indiana Warren County

Be it remembered that on the 12th day of February AD 1834 there was filed in the office of the Clerk of the Probate Court of said County a will and testament of James Crawford late of said county deceased which will & Testament and affidavit or probate annexed thereto reads in the words & figures following to wit]

"In the name of God amen I James Crawford of the County of Warren and State of Indiana being at present of sound and disposing mind and memory do make and publish this and no to be my last will and testament in manner and form following to wit is to say — First I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Martha the whole of the farm where on I now live that is to say Eighty acres across the north end of the quarter section No 21 R8 W T21 N Together with all the appurtenances thereunto belonging and I do fur : give and bequeath unto her all

the stock and other property belong to said farm together with all my household furniture all of which is to be for her use and disposal during her natural lifetime – And at the death of my above name wife Martha I then give and bequeath unto my beloved daughter Celinda the whole of the above described eighty acres of land whereon I now live to be for her use and disposal forever And I do further will and bequeath unto my beloved son Harvey H Crawford all the south half of the above named and described quarter section so soon as he becomes of full and lawful age to be at his sue and disposal forever – And I further give and bequeath unto him a young horse known by the names of Poney to be at his disposal forever.

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And I do also give and bequeath unto my beloved daughter Polly Swank the East half of SW quarter section no five T21N R8West – to be at her sole use and disposal forever to make her equal with my daughters Betsey Lincoln and Sally Shanklin John D Crawford and William A Crawford and James S Crawford – and I do also give and bequeath unto my beloved daughter Rebekah all the west half of the above described section No five T21 N R 8 west to be at her sole use and disposal forever And I do also give and bequeath unto my beloved daughter Nancy all the East half of the Northwest quarter section eight T21 N R8W to be at her sole use and disposal forever — And I do more over give and bequeath unto my beloved sons James & Harvey Crawford one hundred dollars out of a

note which I hold on Adam Swinehart which money is to be laid out for an eight acre lot of band to be equally divided between them both and be at their disposal forever

And I do hereby ratify and confirm this and no other to be my last will and testament. In witness whereof I have here unto set my hand and seal this fifth day of Sepber in the year of our Lord 1831. And I do hereby constitute my Friends William Pugh and D. D. Hall to be my executors of this my last will and testament.

James Crawford (seal)

Attest

John C Irvin

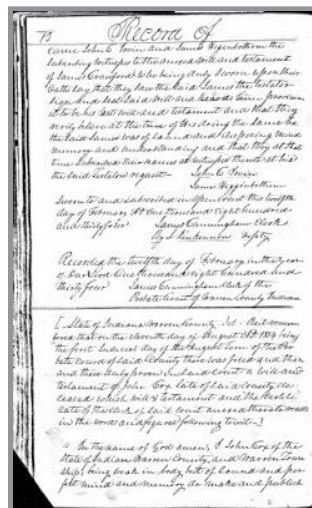
James Higgenbottom

State of Indiana Warren County Sct

Warren Probate Court February Term Ad 1834

Be it remembered that on the 12th day of February aforesaid being the third judicial day of the aforesaid term of the court into open court

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came John C Irvin and James Higenbottom the subscribing witnesses to the anexed will and testament of James Crawford who being duly sworn upon their oaths say that they saw the said James the testator sign and seal said will and heard him proclaim it to be his last will and tesament and that they verily believe at the time of his doing the same he the said James was of sound and disposing mind memory and understanding and that they at that time subscribed their names as witnesses thereto at his the said Testators request.

John C. Irvin

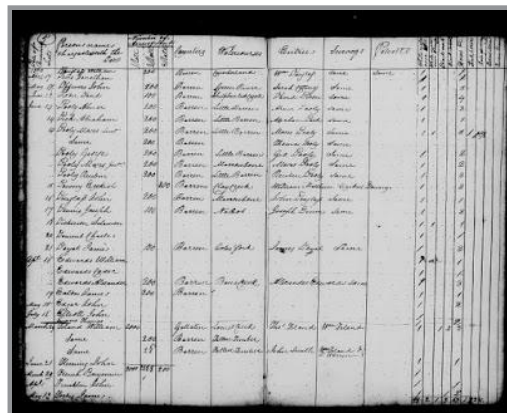
James Higginbottom
Sworn to and subscribed in open court this twelfth
day of February AD one thousand eight hundred
and thirty four
James Cunningham Clerk
By J Kinkennon depty
Recorded the twelfth day of February in the year
of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and
thirty four
James Cunningham Clerk of the
Probate Court of Warren County Indiana

Dooley

Sunday, March 31, 2019

Have you ever seen a name in a deed or court document and thought to yourself, 'Hey, I've seen that name before?' Well that was my situation when I was looking at tax records for Barren County, Kentucky.

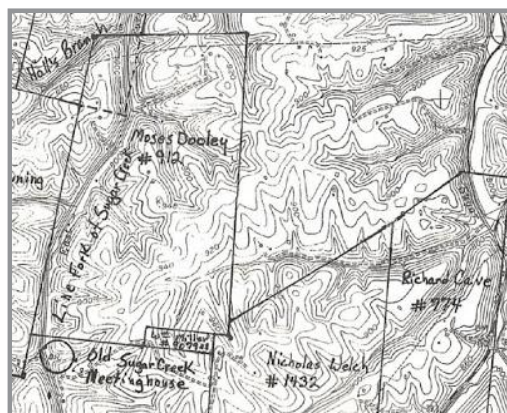
Since I found James Crawford with 200 acres of land on the Marrowbone listed on the 1800 tax list for Barren County, KY, I started looking for other people owning land on the Marrowbone. That's when I found Moses Dooly Junr also owning 200 acres of land on the Marrowbone.



Name	Land Description	Acreage
James Crawford	Marrowbone	200
Moses Dooly Junr	Marrowbone	200
...

Not only was Moses Dooly Junr in Barren County, but so was his father and brothers.

I remembered the Dooly name from my Garrard County map of the original land owners. Moses Dooly had a land grant (#912) for land in the line fork of Sugar Creek.



This land is near the Mary Crawford land purchased from Richard Cave. Mary's land would be to the East of Moses Dooley's land. Just to the Southwest of Moses Dooley's land is the land grant for Jacob Myers. Some of this land was sold to George Douglas. George Douglas then sold a portion to Rebekah Crawford.

So when I saw Moses Dooly Junr as a potential neighbor to James Crawford, I started

As I was researching the two James Crawfords in Preble County, Ohio, I discovered the Dooly family on the tax records in Preble County, Ohio. The 1816 Preble County, Ohio tax list shows Moses Dooley Senr and Moses Dooley along with several other members of the family.

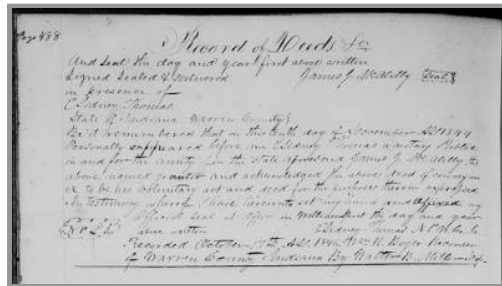
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This may all be coincidence, but it appears that the Dooley clan followed the same migration path from the Garrard County, Kentucky area in 1787 to the Barren County, Kentucky area in 1799 to Preble County, Ohio in 1816. Thus, I've added the Dooley surname to my FAN club.

utors and administrators will warrant and forever defend the aforesaid tract of land with the appurtenances and every part thereof to the said party of the second part his heirs and assigns forever against the legal claim or claims of all and every person or persons whomsoever In testimony whereof the said James J McAlilly has here unto set his hand

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and seal the day and year first above written
signed sealed & delivered
James J McAlilly (seal)
in presence of
E Sidney Thomas

State of Indiana Warren County
Be it remembered that on this tenth day of December AD 1844
personally appeared before me E Sidney Thomas a notary Public
in and for the county in the state aforesaid James J McAlilly the
above named grantor and acknowledged the above deed of conveyan
ce to be his voluntary act and deed for the purposes therein expressed
In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my
official seal at office in Williamsport the day and year
above written
E Sidney Thomas N. P. W. Co. Ia
Recorded October 17th AD 1846 Wm R Boyer Recorder
of Warren county Indiana by Walter B Miller – Dep

Occupations

Tuesday, April 02, 2019



For this week's mission (should you decide to accept it), answer the question:

- 1) What were the occupations of your ancestors?
- 2) Please go back several generations (say parents or grandparents or great-grandparents) and list the occupations that they had in the records you've found for them. You could do this, say, by ancestor table number.

1. Me

- Teacher
- Librarian
- Technology Coordinator

2. my dad

- Teacher

3. my mother

- Medical Secretary

4. Leon Russel Crawford

- worked for Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railroad in Dodge City, Kansas

5. Winnie Letha Currey Crawford

- Clerk for Eckle's Department Store in Dodge City, Kansas

6. Edward Osmond Briles

- 1918 – ran a threshing machine
- 1923 – Owner Briles Garage in Iola, Kansas
- 1927 – manager of local feed grinding and shelling plant in Iola, Kansas
- 1930 – manager of a picture show in Buffalo, Kansas
- 1932 – owner of Lyric Theater in Emporia, Kansas

7. Pauline Edith Mentzer Briles

- Babysitter after death of husband
8. Judson Foster Crawford
- worked for Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railroad in Dodge City, Kansas
9. Josie Winifred Hammond Crawford
- Homemaker
10. Hiram Miles Currey
- 1900 – Magnetic Healer (according to census) – Delaware Township, Leavenworth County, KS
 - 1907 – carpenter – Lansing, Kansas
 - 1910 – farmer – Rooks County, Kansas
 - 1915 – teamster – Kansas City, Missouri
 - 1919/1920 – baker at a cone factory – Kansas City, Missouri
 - 1925 – section hand – Logan, Gray County, KS
 - 1930 – carpenter – Dodge City, KS
11. Winnie Mae Hutchinson Currey
- Homemaker
12. Edward Grant Briles
- farmer – Coffey County, Kansas
13. Frances Arlissa 'Artie' Ricketts Briles
- homemaker
14. Charles Oliver Mentzer
- farmer – Woodson County, Kansas
15. Nettie Adell Wells Mentzer
- homemaker
16. Washington Marion Crawford
- farmer – prior to civil war
 - attempted farming after civil war – but disabilities made this difficult
 - built boarding house in Dodge City, Kansas
 - "selected to look after soldier's home" at Fort Dodge, Ford County, Kansas
17. Mary Foster Crawford
- homemaker
 - caregiver – took care of husband after his return from the civil war
 - Boarding House operator
18. Richmond Fisk Hammond
- farmer
 - carpenter
19. Sarah Ellen Ralston Hammond
- homemaker
20. Hiram M. Currey

- farmer
- 21. Angelina Jane Burke Currey
- homemaker
- 22. Albert Hutchinson
- farmer
- 23. Julia Harding Hutchinson
- homemaker
- 24. Noah Washington Briles
- farm laborer
- farmer
- 25. Sarah Jane Thompson Briles
- homemaker
- 26. James Marshall Ricketts
- farmer
- 27. Rachel Elmeda Christy Ricketts
- homemaker
- 28. George Mentzer
- farm hand
- clerk in grocery store
- helped establish first hotel in Kewanee
- domestic servant
- farmer
- Stockholder – Yates Center Creamery Association
- 29. Emeline Minnick Mentzer
- homemaker
- 30. Thurston Kennedy Wells
- carpenter – Madison County, New York
- laborer – Lykins County, Kansas
- 31. Salome Adell Crandall Wells
- homemaker
- 32. Nelson G. Crawford
- farmer
- 34. Zebulon Foster
- farmer
- 36. Horatio Hammond
- farmer
- 38. James Barr Ralston

- farmer
- 40. Hiram M. Currey
- lawyer
- 42. Henry F. Burke
- likely a farmer — owned land in Platte County, Missouri before his death
- 44. Aaron Hutchinson
- unknown
- 46. William Gillies Harding
- farmer
- 48. Alexander Briles
- farmer
- 50. William Taylor Thompson
- farmer
- 52. John Lewis Ricketts
- farmer
- 54. Samuel Christy
- farmer
- 56. Phillip Andrew Mentzer
- unknown
- 58. John Minnick
- shoe maker
- 60. Ozias Wells
- Unknown
- 62. Lewis Crandall
- likely a farmer in Van Buren County, Iowa
- 64. James Crawford
- farmer
- 68. Richard Foster
- likely a farmer in Pike County Ohio
- 70. Dr. Edward Ostrander
- Doctor
- 72. Jason Hammond
- Unknown
- 74. Jonathan Fisk
- Unknown

76. David Franklin Ralson

- farmer

78. James B. McCormick

- Unknown

80. Hiram Mirick Currey

- preacher
- teacher
- Ohio state treasurer

82. Peter Harris

- Unknown

84. John Burke

- employed in agriculture

86. Eli Bland

- likely a farmer – Cumberland County, Kentucky

88. Aaron Hutchinson

- engaged in agriculture

90. _____ Merry

- Unknown

92. William Harding

- Unknown

94. _____ Fowler

- Unknown

96. John Briles

- farmer

98. Noah Rush

- farmer

100. John Thompson

- farmer

102. James Evans

- farmer

104. Edward Ricketts

- landowner – likely a farmer

106. John C. Reed

- farmer

108. Ebenezer Christy

- Unknown

110. Isom Gallimore

- farmer

112. Phillip Andre Mentzer

- Unknown

114. Oliver Miles

- Unknown

116. _____ Minnick

- Unknown

118. _____ Jones

- Unknown

120. Green Wells

- farmer

122. John Kennedy

- Unknown

124. Hampton Lillibridge Crandall

- farmer

126. _____ Nafus

- Unknown

This exercise pointed out:

- Many of my ancestors engaged in agriculture
 - My use of the 'occupation' fact is too infrequent
 - Work is needed to identify all of the 'unknown' occupations
- Thank you, Randy Seaver, for this challenge to look at my data in a different way!

Did I Find a Marriage Record

Wednesday, April 03, 2019

Have you ever looked at a court document trying to figure out who all of the people are and suddenly realize you may have stumbled across something totally different?

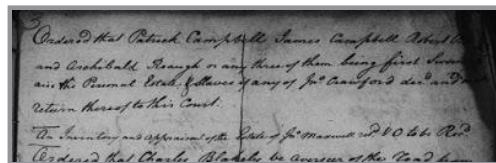
Well, that was my situation yesterday. I found additional documentation for the 1779 will of John Crawford in Montgomery County, Virginia (Order Book 2, image 292),

At a court c/ and held for Montgomery County April 7th 1779



Last will and testament of John Crawford deceased proven by oath of George [D]ouglas James Crawford and Bazewell Maxwell and ordered to be recorded

Administration of the Estate of Jno Crawford deceased with the will annexed [?] granted Rebecca Maxwell and James Crawford who entered into bond [?] [a]nd security according to law

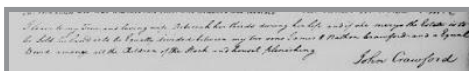


Ordered that Patrick Campbell James Campbell Robert Black and Archibald Reaugh or any three of them being first sworn appraise the personal estate and slaves if any of John Crawford Decd and make return thereof to the next Court.

Inventory and appraisement of the Estate of John Maxwell decd returned [?] Court and Ordered to be recorded

When I first looked at this entry, I was trying to link this record to my Kentucky research. One of the Crawfords I'm researching in Kentucky is Rebekah Crawford. Rebekah Crawford appears on the 1787 tax list in Lincoln County, Kentucky.

It is believed that Rebekah's husband was John Crawford — the same John Crawford mentioned in the Montgomery County court record. I had previously located John Crawford's will in the Montgomery County Virginia Wills Book B on image 474.



I leave to my true and loving wife, Rebecah her thirds during her life and if she merys the estate is to be sold the land into be equally divided between my two sons James & Nathan Craford and a equal devid mong all the chidren of the stock and housal plenishing John Crawford

Since Rebekah Crawford of Lincoln County, Virginia is believed to be the mother of the James Crawford who married Martha Knight, this will could be for Rebekah's husband. However, I don't have any mention of a Nathan Crawford in my research. Thus, I needed more proof.

I believe that yesterday I found the support to tie the will of John Crawford in Montgomery County, Virginia to Rebekah Crawford in Lincoln, County, Kentucky. The names of the witnesses to the Montgomery County will are also found in the area of Kentucky where Rebekah lived.

Rebekah may have been listed on the tax roles in Lincoln County, Kentucky, but the land she purchased lies in what is now Garrard County, Kentucky. Rebekah purchased that land from George Douglass. George Douglass is believed to be the brother of Rebekah Crawford.

Other Crawfords living in Garrard County include James and William Crawford. James' wife was Rebecca Anderson Maxwell. James and his wife Rebecca, along with Bazewell Maxwell and his wife and others are the grantors on a deed for land from the John Anderson estate. Thus, James Crawford and Bazewell Maxwell are brothers-in-law.

Thus, all three witnesses to the John Crawford will can be found in Garrard County, Kentucky.

As I re-read the court entries, I couldn't figure out the reference to Rebecca Maxwell. None of the information I have suggested that Rebecca Crawford remarried. Then it dawned on me — Rebecca Anderson Maxwell married James Crawford.

I think the marriage bond of Rebecca Maxwell and James Crawford is buried between entries regarding the will of John Crawford.



*[?]granted Rebecca Maxwell and James Crawford who entered into bond
[?] [a]nd security according to law*

Unfortunately, the left side of the page is missing, so I will never know for certain that this is a record for a marriage bond. However, the names, date and place fit.

So, what do you think?

Are the witnesses enough to tie the death of John Crawford in Montgomery County, Virginia to Rebecca Crawford of Lincoln/Garrard Counties, Kentucky?

Is that a record of a marriage bond for Rebecca Maxwell and James Crawford?

Ellsworth to Crawford

Thursday, April 04, 2019

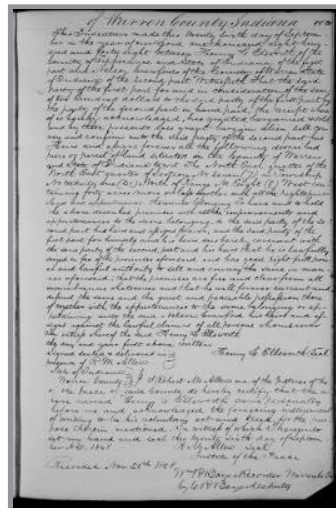
Warren County Indiana

Deed Records

Deed records, v. 10-11, 1841-1850

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Book 10 page 113



of Warren County Indiana

This Indenture made this twenty sixth day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty eight between Henry L Ellsworth of the County of Tippecanoe and State of Indiana of the first part and Nelson Crawford of the County of Warren State of Indiana of the second part witnesseth that the said party of the first part for and in consideration of the sum of two hundred dollars to the said party of the first party by the party of the second part in hand paid, the receipt where of is hereby acknowledged, has granted bargained & sold and by these presents does grant bargain alien sell convey and confirm unto the said party of the second part his heirs and assigns forever all the following described piece or parcel of land situated in the County of Warren and State of Indiana to with The North East quarter of the North East Quarter of Section No Seven (7) in Township No twenty one (21) north of Range No Eight (8) West containing forty acres more or less together with all the rights privileges and appurtenances thereunto belonging to have and to hold the above described premises with all the improvements and appurtenances to the same belonging to the said party of the second part his heirs and assigns forever, and the said party of the

first part for himself and his heirs does hereby covenant with the said party of the second part and his heirs that he is lawfully seized in fe of the premises aforesaid and has good right full power and lawful authority to sell and convey the same in man – ner aforesaid : that the premises are free and clear from all incumbrances whatsoever and that he will forever warrant and defend the same and the quiet and peaceable possession thereof together with the appurtenances to the same belonging or appertaining unto the said Nelson Crawford his heirs and as signs against the lawful claims of all persons whomsoever In witness whereof the said Henry L Ellsworth

the day and year first above written

Henry L Ellsworth (seal)

Signed sealed and delivered in

presence of R M Allen

State of Indiana

Warren County

I Robert M Allen one of the justices of the of the peace of said County do hereby certify that the above named Henry L Ellsworth came personally before me and acknowledged the forgoing instrument of writing to be his voluntary act and deed, for the purpose therein mentioned. In witness of which thereunto set my hand and seal this twenty sixth day of September A D. 1848

R M Allen (seal)

Justice of the Peace

Recorded Nov 20th 1848

Wm P Boyer Recorder Warren Co IA

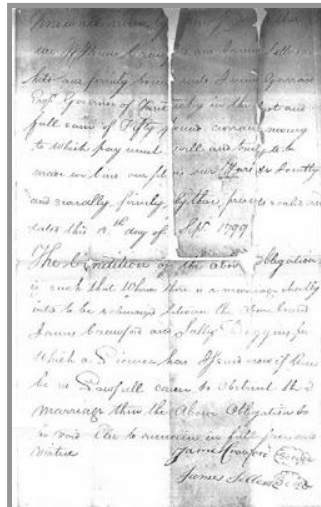
by C R Boyer Deputy

Sellers Mystery

Friday, April 05, 2019

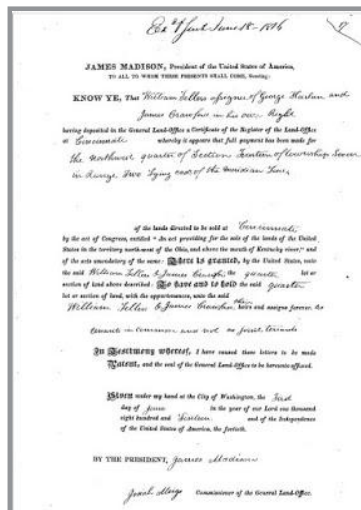
Have you ever seen names on documents and wondered how they fit into your tree?
That's my situation right now with the **SELLERS** family!

My ancestor, James **Crawford**, married Sally Duggins in Garrard County, Kentucky in 1799. James **Sellers** signed the bond and was one of the parties named in the bond.



Know all men by these presents that
we Jams Crawford and James Sellers are
hito and firmly bound unto James Garrard
Esqr Governor of Kentucky in the just and
full sum of fifty pounds current money
to which payment will and trust to be
made we bind ourselves our heirs [so] jointly
and surrally firmly by these presents seald and
dated this 12th day of Sept 1799
Th eCondition of the above obligation
is such that whereas there is a marriage shortly
into to be solemnized between the above bound
James Crawford and Sally Duggins for
which a licenses has issued now if there
be no lawful cause to obstruct the sd
marriage then the above obligation so
be void. Else to remain in full force and
virtue
James Crawford (seal)
James Sellers (seal)

In 1816, James **Crawford** and William **Sellers** purchased land in Preble County Ohio as joint tenants.



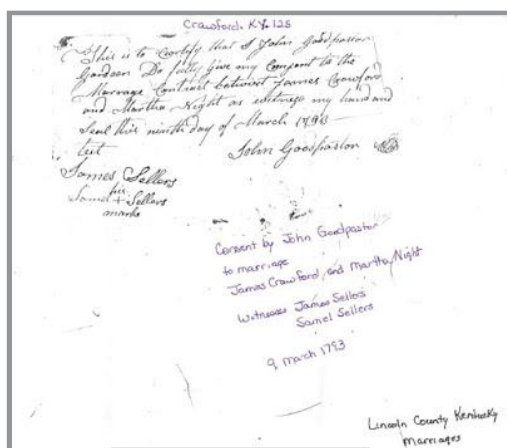
Ex of Such June 18 1816
 James Madison, President of the United States of America
 To all To Whom These Presents Shall Come, Greeting
 know Ye, that William Sellers assignee of George Harlan and
 James Crawford in his own right
 having deposited in the General Land Office a Certificate of the Register of the Land
 Office
 at Cincinnati whereby it appears that full payment has been made for
 the Northwest quarter of Section Fourteen of Township Seven
 in Range Two lying East of the Meridian line
 of the lands directed to be sold at Cincinnati
 by the Act of Congress, entitled "An act providing for the sale of the lands of the United
 States in the territory north-west of the Ohio, and above the mouth of Kentucky river," and
 of the acts amendatory of the Same: There is granted, by the United States, unto
 the said William Sellers & James Crawford the quarter lot or
 section of land above described: To have and to hold the said quarter
 lot or section of land, with the appurtenances, unto the said
 William Sellers & James Crawford their heirs and assigns forever, as
 tenants in common and not as joint tenants
 In Testimony whereof, I have caused these letters to be made
 Patent, and the seal of the General Land-Office to be hereunto affixed.
 Given under my hand at the City of Washington, the first
 day of June in the year of our Lord, one thousand
 eight hundred and sixteen and of the Independence
 of the United States of America, the fortieth.
 By the President, James Madison
 Josiah Meigs Commissioner of the General Land Office

So who are James and William **Sellers**?

James and William **Sellers** are likely two of the seven identified children of Nathaniel
Sellers. Nathaniel and several sons, including James, Samuel and William, appear on the
 early tax lists in Lincoln County, Kentucky. Two other sons, Joseph and Nathan, are on
 tax lists in Bourbon County, Kentucky during the same time period.

In 1791, James **Sellers** married **Mary Crawford**. Five years later (in 1796), William **Sellers** married Sarah **Crawford**. Thus, there is a connection between the Sellers and the Crawford families.

However, James and William **Sellers** are believed to be brothers-in-law to the James **Crawford** that married Martha Knight. James **Sellers** and Samuel **Sellers** witnessed the consent given by John Goodpastor for the marriage of Martha Night to James **Crawford**.



*This is to certify that I John Goodpastor
garden do fully give my Consnet to the
Marrage contract between James Crawford
and Martha Night as witness my hand and
Seal this ninth day of March 1793
John Goodpastor
James Sellers
Samel his mark Sellers*

The bond for the marriage of James **Crawford** and Martha Night was guaranteed by Nathan Douglass.



*Know all men by these presents that we James Crawford
and Nathan Douglass are held and firmly bound unto
His Excellency Isaac Shelby Esquire Governor of Kentucky in
the sum of fifty pounds current money to the payment
whereof to be made to the said Governor and his successors we*

*bind our selves our heirs etc firmly by these presents, sealed
with our seals and dated the 12th day of March 1793
The Condition of the above obligation is such that whereas
then is a marriage shortly intended to be solemnized between
the above bound James Crawford and Martha Night for
which a license has paid Now if these be no lawful cause
to obstruct the said marriage then this obligation to be void
or else to remain in full force
James Crawford
Nathan Douglass
Sealed Delivered
in presence of
Willes Green*

The James **Crawford** who married Martha Knight (Night) is believed to be the son of Rebekah **Crawford** and thus the brother to Mary **Crawford** who married James **Sellers** and to Sarah **Crawford** who married William **Sellers**.

Since land records show that James and Martha **Crawford** owned land in Barren County, it has been assumed that the James **Crawford** on the sale of land by Rebecca **Crawford** was the James **Crawford** married to Martha Knight.

Thus, it is believed that the children of Rebekah **Crawford** include James, husband of Martha, Mary and Sarah. This explains the **Sellers** names on the marriage consent for Martha Night.

However, it doesn't explain a connections between James **Crawford**, husband of Sally Duggins, and James or William **Sellers**.

Thus the mystery!

At this time, my hypothesis is that my ancestors mother was a sister to James, William and Samuel Sellers. That would make James Crawford (Sally Duggins) a nephew to James Sellers who signed the marriage bond and a nephew to William Sellers who was a joint tenant.

My autosomal DNA results support this hypothesis. I have identified 9 DNA matches who trace their line back to Nathaniel David Sellers, father of James and William Sellers. This would make us some aspect of a sixth cousin. On average, we share 11.5 cM. When I checked the Shared cM Project, there is a 61.80% probability that we could be sixth cousins. Unfortunately, I have several surnames in common with each of those matches. This makes it difficult to use the DNA to prove my hypothesis.

So, can you help unravel this mystery?

PRIVILEGED!

Saturday, April 06, 2019

I had the privilege of doing a brick wall consultation with Michael J. Hall, Deputy Chief Genealogical Officer at Family Search this afternoon as part of the Topeka Genealogical Society Conference!

I submitted my research for the parents of James Crawford of Preble County, Ohio and the associated same name issues as my brick wall.

The primary suggestion Mr. Hall had was to use "indirect evidence". Other suggestions included

- Re-look at Revolutionary War pensions and read the affidavits
- Look at 1812 pensions
- Look at all Crawfords in the military records and collect evidence to eliminate them as potential fathers
- Check out the lineage programs of the Ohio Genealogical Society (1st Settlers of Ohio, etc.)
- Use the Family Search wiki
- On Family Search — use all categories of records for a county
- Locate church records – Quaker (also Presbyterian and Baptist)
- Try school records
- Check out the 'Historical Collections' on Family Search
- In the census records, record the names of the 10 households above and the 10 households below and try to identify them.
- Collaborate — contact any/all researching various Crawford lines
- Collaborate — contact Sellers DNA matches
 - Visit archives National Archives in Washington DC
 - Ohio State Archives
 - John Heinz History Center (Western Pennsylvania Archives)

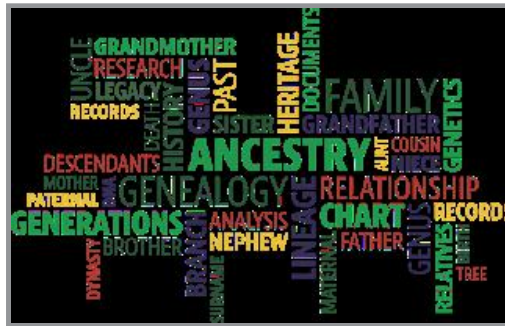
And **WRITE** –

- Stop researching and write about findings
- Stop researching and write about thought process
- Stop researching and write out questions
- Just **WRITE**

Thank you Mr. Hall and Topeka Genealogical Society for this opportunity!

Connections

Monday, April 08, 2019



Do you have 'genealogy buddies' that you exchange research with? Do you write letters, post on mailing lists or message boards or in any other way make connections with others researching your family tree? Do you belong to a local, regional or national genealogy society?

If your answer to any of these questions is 'No' then I encourage you to write those letters, messages and posts and to join a local organization and meet their members. It has been my experience that some of my best breakthroughs have not come from my own isolated research, but from the help of others.

When I started researching my family, I was dependent on the U.S. mail to connect me with other researchers. Several times a year, a new edition of Everton's Genealogical Helper (searchable at MyHeritage) would arrive. I would sit and study that magazine looking for anyone researching any of my surnames. When found, I would send off a letter to see if we might connect. Occasionally, I would pay for my own 'advertisement' listing my surnames and locations. Either way, I waited anxiously for responses to those letters and advertisements.

When email entered the picture, mailing lists, such as those hosted by RootsWeb, became the 'go-to' resource for contacting other researchers. I could send my message to the list and wait to see if anyone would respond. Message boards on Genealogy.com and Ancestry.com entered the picture shortly after that and became a popular way to post queries seeking answers. Facebook groups seems to be replacing the message boards and mailing lists. Thankfully, Katherine Wilson maintains a list of these groups so that we can find them and connect with other genealogists.

The methods used to connect have changed over time, but the value of these connections hasn't.

One of my first 'genealogy buddies' was Walter Salts of Warren County, Indiana. My Crawford family migrated from Warren County to Dodge City, Kansas. Thus, I had Crawford and Foster ties in Warren County. I would send Walter a question and he would send me back a packet of information that usually involved at least a few newspaper clippings.

I 'met' another genealogy buddy thru e-mail. Sandy Kuchenreuther was researching her Currey family in Oregon and Washington. I was researching my ancestor, Hiram Currey

of Leavenworth and trying to prove that he was the grandson of Hiram M. Currey, treasurer of Ohio in 1819. Thus, I was trying to prove my way into Sandy's family. Anytime we would find something, we would share it. I remember our emails back and forth over an obituary claiming her relative was buried in Oregon. We both tried to track down the burial location to no avail — until one of us realized that there was an Oregon, Missouri. Once we made that connection, it was simple to find the burial and lots more information on that branch of the family.

I will be spending tomorrow with several of my genealogy buddies at the Topeka Genealogical Society. Each month, TGS hosts a DNA and a Brick Wall study group. Not only can I learn from the presentations but I can learn from the conversations. It is these conversations that spur me on to look for new resources or new genealogy buddies.

My participation in these study groups provided the incentive to apply for a 'Brick Wall' Consultation at the recent TGS conference and to register for that conference. Needless to say, I was thrilled to have been selected for one of four 'Brick Wall' Consultations.

Since applying for this consultation, I have been reviewing my research, searching for more documents and evaluating my findings. From this process, I have a new theory that I might have SELLERS ancestry. During my consultation last Friday, I was encouraged to continue this review process and expand it. I was also encouraged to reach out to other researchers, make connections and collaborate.

On Friday evening, I started applying some of the suggestions from my consultation. As I was doing this, I kept thinking about my new SELLERS theory. Remembering that I had met a TGS member in the past who was a SELLERS descendant, I decided to try and find her research. When I found her son's tree on Ancestry, I was amazed to see that their Sellers brick wall ancestor died in Warren County, Indiana – the same county my Crawford family migrated to Kansas from.

Since I knew that this Sellers descendant was attending the TGS Conference, I decided to visit with him on Saturday. Even though neither one of us can connect our research to the other's, I learned something very valuable from him. He told me where the Walter Salts collection of papers is housed!

During the final session of the conference, Michael J. Hall reviewed several of the features of Family Search. One of those features was the Family Search Community, which I need to investigate further.

Based on the recommendations from my consultation with Michael J. Hall and my experiences this weekend, I am going to do more to CONNECT and COLLABORATE by

- Sending emails to local libraries, historical and genealogical societies to see if they have any letters, diaries or other sources to help me in my Crawford research
- Submitting queries to Ancestry Message boards and the FamilySearch Community Groups
- Contacting other researchers
- Maintaining current memberships in genealogical societies and possibly join other societies in the communities where I am researching

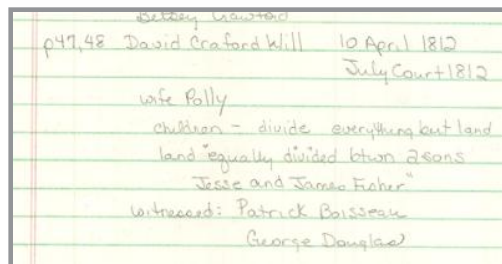
I'm looking forward to making new CONNECTIONS. Won't you join me?

David Crawford's Will – Barren County, Kentucky

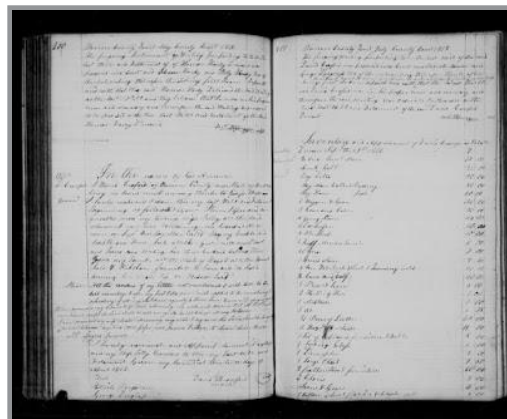
Tuesday, April 09, 2019

One of the tasks handed me during my 'Brick Wall' Consultation was to review all of my data and document the elimination of individuals as potential fathers to James Crawford (1772-1854) of Preble County, Ohio.

Thus, I'm digging thru both my memory and my files. My memory was telling me that I had found a will for a Crawford in Barren County, Kentucky that eliminated this person as a father to James. Digging thru my files, I found some handwritten notes about a will in Barren County, Kentucky.



Thanks to FamilySearch's digitization of the microfilm, I was able to locate the will and transcribe it.



Barren County Kentucky
Wills
Mixed Records, Vols. 1-2 1799-1829
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Image 115
Will of David Crawford

*In the name of God Amen
I David Craford of Barren County and State of Kentucky
being in sound mind & memory thanks to God for the same*

*I hereby make and ordain this my last will and statement
Beginning as followeth vix Items I give and be-
queath unto my loveing wife Polly all the land
whereupon I now live containing one hundred acres
more or less one bay mare called Couney bridle and
saddle one Horse Jack all the gear with one Plow
and irons one weeding hoe three Cows and Calves three
yews and lambs all the stock of hogs & all the House
hold & Kitchen furniture to have and to hold
during her single life or widow hood*

Item

*All the residue of my Estate not mentioned I wish sold to the
best advantage & after my just debts paid I wish applied to the maintaining &
schooling of all my children equally to them their heirs and assigns forever
Item provided my beloved wife shall intermarry my wish and desire is that all that I have
mentioned except the land shall be sold and equally divided between all my children.
Item provided my wife shall intermarry my wish & desire is the land shall be equally
divided between my two sons Jesse and James Fisher, to them their heirs
and assigns forever.*

*I hereby nominate and appoint Samuel Douglass
and my wife Polly Executors to this my last will and
Testament given my hand and seal this tenth day of
April 1812.*

David (his mark) Crawford

Patrick Boisseau

George Douglass

Barren County Kentucky

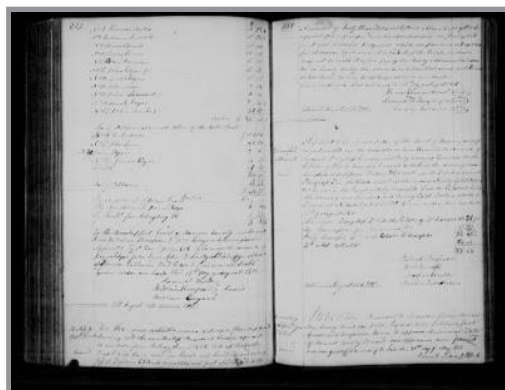
Wills

Mixed Records, Vols. 1-2 1799-1829

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Estate of David Crawford

D Crawford settlement

Agreeable to an order of the Court of Barren County

to us Directed we the subscribers have examined the accounts of

*Samuel Douglass Executor and Polly Crawford Executrix to the
Estate of David Crawford [vz ?] and find the sum of one
hundred and fifteen dollars 32 1/2 cents in the hands of Samuel
Douglass due the Estate and find the sume of Ninety Eight Dollars and
20 cents in the hands of Polly Crawford due the Estate [to be wise]
the sum of one hundred and twenty eight dollars 5 cents of
Different notes not yet collected given under our hand this
17th of August 1816*

*Samuel Douglass Due to the Estate of D Crawford 115.32
By Commission for his services 10.00
105.32*

*Polly Crawford due to the estate D Crawford 98.30
Do not collected 28.05*

331.68

*Patrick Boisseaur
Wm Renick
Joseph Neville
Barker T Anderson
returned August 1816 &O.R.*

Saturday Night Genealogy Fun

Wednesday, April 10, 2019



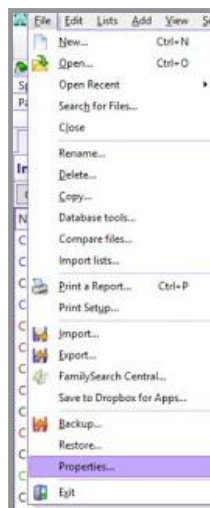
For this week's mission (should you decide to accept it), answer the question:

- 1) Have you done a good job of citing your sources in your genealogy management program or online family tree? How are you doing? How many source citations do you have, and how many people are in your tree? What is the sources to persons ratio?
- 2) Which master source (e.g., 1900 U.S. census, Find A Grave, specific book, etc.) do you have the most citations for? How many? How did you figure this out?
- 3) Tell us about it in your own blog post, in a comment on this blog post, or in a post on Facebook.

Randy Seaver provides another interesting challenge thru his ' Saturday Night Genealogy Fun' to look at my genealogy data in a different way.

Since I use RootsMagic, I thought I'd show how I'm getting the answers to these questions as well as answer them.

The first challenge involves getting the statistics for our tree. In RootsMagic, this is done by going to Properties on the FILE menu.



When I clicked on Properties, it opened the Database Properties window. This window contains the statistics needed to answer the first question.

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Families	4417
Events	37218
Alternate names	2586
Places	3898
Sources	3788
Citations	51748
Repositories	160
To-do tasks	130
Research Logs	76
Multimedia items	5204
Multimedia links	15210
Addresses	3
Correspondence	11

So to answer the first question:

- Citations – 51748 in RootsMagic
- Sources – 3788 in RootsMagic
- People – 13224 in RootsMagic
- Ratio of citations to people: 51748/13224 — almost 4 citations for every person in RootsMagic

This is a work in progress!

My first software program was Personal Ancestral File (PAF). PAF was great software – but it wasn't easy to document the information. I followed recommendations of the time and entered my sources as 'Notes'.

My second software program was The Master Genealogist (TMG). I was able to transfer my data from PAF into TMG – and the 'Notes' transferred as 'Events'. Over time, I converted those 'Notes' into the 'Events' and added sources. When I started on TMG, I

configured my citations using Cite Your Sources by Richard S. Lackey (c. 1980). These citations would not meet today's standards!

When support for TMG ceased, I transferred my data into RootsMagic. About the same time, I was getting back into active research and catching up on suggested standards. This 'catching up' affected my citations as I started using Evidence Explained by Elizabeth Shown Mills. Hopefully all of my facts have a citation attached, but unfortunately, not all of those citations will be up to current standards.

My 51748 citations come from 3,788 sources. Following Randy's directions, I created a source list report (All Reports — Source List). Like Randy, I got a long report. I didn't realize that I would need to visually scan this report to figure out which source was used the most.

Unfortunately, ranking these sources isn't easy. When it comes to sources, I'm more of a splitter than a lumper. When I create a source for an article found on Newspapers.com, my source is the name of the newspaper and not Newspapers.com. (Newspapers.com is part of the citation but not the master source.) Similar is true for census records, I don't have a 1940 census source. Instead, I have a 1940 Lyon County, Kansas census record as the source. For the 1940 census, I have about 40 pages of citations in this report from counties all across the United States.

Even though I can't easily generate a list similar to Randy's, I did learn something by creating this report: ***Some of my citations are lacking in detail.*** In other words, I have work to do to make sure the citation will lead me back to the information.

Thank you, Randy for the challenge!

Locked FamilySearch Update

Thursday, April 11, 2019

Are you using the county records on Family Search? If so, have you figured out the levels of access? Well, I thought I had until a couple of weeks ago. That's when I discovered a 4th level that isn't obvious from the icons.

In review, there are three icons that indicate where/how the microfilm records can be viewed. One of those is a microfilm reel.

Film/Digital Notes (This Family History center has 1 of 1 films/reels.)					
Note	Location	Collection/Shelf	Film	DGS	Format
App on microfiche. Salt Lake City - Filled by the Genealogical Society of Utah, 1960-1, microfiche.	Family History Library	United States & Canada Film	504858	7501415	

The 'reel' icon indicates that the record was microfilmed by the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints and is available for viewing at the Family History Library in Salt Lake City.

The second icon is the camera.

Film/Digital Notes (This Family History center has 33 of 63 films/reels.)					
Note	Location	Collection/Shelf	Film	DGS	Format
Index to deeds v. 1 grantee and grantor 1800-1807	Family History Library	United States & Canada Film	504858	7501415	
Index to deeds v. 2-3 grantee and grantor 1808-1812	Family History Library	United States & Canada Film	504859	7501417	
Index to deeds v. 4-5 grantee and grantor 1813-1817	Family History Library	United States & Canada Film	504860	7501419	
Index to deeds v. 6-7 grantee and grantor 1818-1820	Family History Library	United States & Canada Film	504867	7501751	
Index to deeds v. 8-9 grantee and grantor 1821-1825	Family History Library	United States & Canada Film	504868	7501753	

The camera icon is my favorite since it means I can access digitized images from the microfilm on my home computer.

The third icon is a camera with a key above it. This icon signals that the record is 'locked' and only viewable at specific locations.

Film/Digital Notes (This Family History center has 11 of 14 films/reels.)					
Note	Location	Collection/Shelf	Film	DGS	Format
Deed index, grantor, v.1-4, 1814-1817	Family History Library	United States & Canada Film	1451057	8219274	
Deed index, grantor, v.5-6, 1818-1819	Family History Library	United States & Canada Film	1451058	8220328	
Deed index, grantor, v.5, 1818-1819 Deed index, grantor, v.1-4, 1814-1817	Family History Library	United States & Canada Film	1451059	7817441	
Deed index, grantor, v.4-5, 1814-1817	Family History Library	United States & Canada Film	1451060	8219388	

I was able to view the above records (Warrick County, Indiana Deeds) at my local public library since it is an affiliate of Family Search. Until recently, I assumed that I could view any/all locked images at an affiliate library.

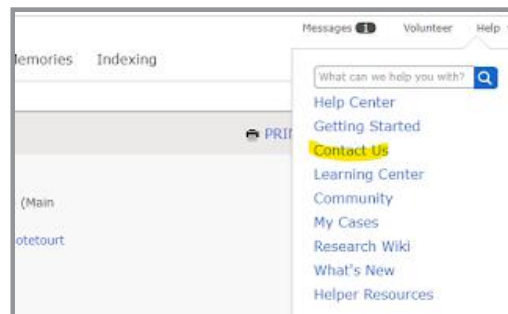
However, I discovered that there are two levels of locked in late March when I tried to access Botetourt County Virginia tax records at my local library (FamilySearch Affiliate).

Film/Digital Notes (This Family History center has 1 of 1 films/reels.)					
Note	Location	Collection/Shelf	Film	DGS	Format
List of Intestates, 1770-1789	Family History Library	United States & Canada Film	2805407	7806374	

When I wasn't able to view the images, I posted a query on the FamilySearch Users Group page. Responses to that query indicated that it was possible that I could only view

the Botetourt County records at a Family History Center.

So, when I had the chance to research at the Topeka Public Library (another FamilySearch Library Affiliate) with the Topeka Genealogical Society Brick Wall Study Group, I tried to access the Botetourt County records again. When I still could not access them, it was suggested that I contact FamilySearch to see if there was a way to view them at an Affiliate Library. I found the 'contact us' link on the FamilySearch site and submitted my inquiry.



To my surprise, I had a phone call from FamilySearch during my drive home. They confirmed that there are some locked records that are only viewable at a Family History Center.

Now, that I realize there is a difference, I need to figure out which Family History Center will be the most convenient to use. The 'locations' website will help me identify the nearest center and their hours.



Since I am 75 miles from the nearest center, I could go to St. Joseph, Missouri, Topeka, Kansas, or Manhattan, Kansas. I just need to figure out which one has hours that fit my ability to travel and plan a research trip.

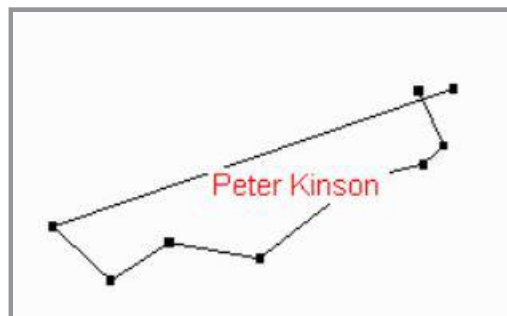
David Crawford to Kinson

Friday, April 12, 2019

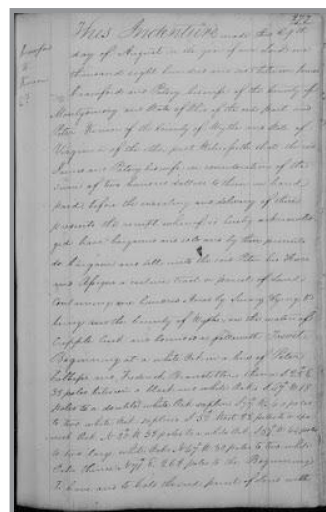
I found the following deed in Barren County for a James Crawford and his wife, Patsy. This James Crawford was living in Montgomery County, Ohio in 1806. I currently do not know anything about this James Crawford.

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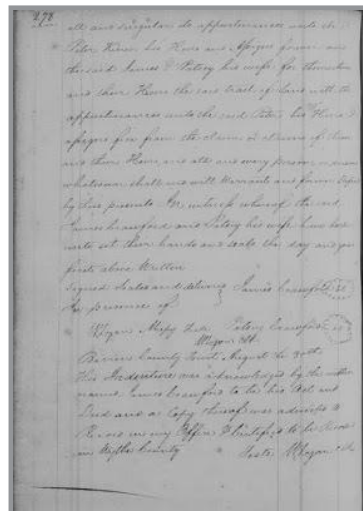
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Crawford to Kinson



This Indenture made this 29th day of August in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and six between James Crawford and Patsy his wife of the County of Montgomery and State of Ohio of he one part and Peter Kinson of he County of Wythe and State of Virginia of he other part witnesseth that the said James and Patsy his wife in consideration of the

sum of two hundred dollars to them in hand
 paid, before the insealing and delivery of these
 presents the receipt whereof is hereby acknowl
 ged have bargained and sold and by these presents
 do bargain and sell unto the said Peter his heirs
 and Assigns a certain tract or parcel of land
 containing one hundred acres by survey lying &
 being in the County of Wythe on the waters of
 Cripple Creek and bounded s followeth: to wit,
 Beginning at a white oak in a line of Peter
 Colheps and Frederick Branstetter thence S 25 degrees E
 38 poles between a black and white Oaks S 47 degrees W 18
 poles to a double white Oak caplin S 77 degrees W 40 poles
 to two white oak saplins S 52 degrees West 82 poles to a spa
 nish oak N 80 degrees W 58 poles to a white oak S 57 degrees W 44 poles
 to two large white Oaks N 47 degrees W 50 poles to two white
 Oaks thence N 71 degrees E 268 poles to the Beginning
 To have and to hold the said parcel of land with

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all and singular its appurtenances unto the sd
 Peter Kinson his Heirs and Assigns forever and
 the said James & Patsey his wife for themselves
 and their heirs the said tract of Land with the
 appurtenances unto the said Peter his heirs &
 assigns free from the claim or claims of them
 and their heirs and all and every person or persons
 whatsoever shall and will warrant and forever defend
 by these presents In witness whereof the said
 James Crawford and Patsey his wife have here
 unto set their hands and seals the day and year
 first above written.
 James Crawford
 Patsey Crawford

Signed Sealed and Delivered
in presence of
W Logan A Copy Teste
W Logan Clk

Barren County To wit August the 30th
This Indenture was acknowledged by the within
named James Crawford to be his Act and
Deed and a Copy thereof was admitted to
Record in my Office & Certified to be Recorded
in Wythe County
Teste W Logan Clk

Using Land to Verify Heirs

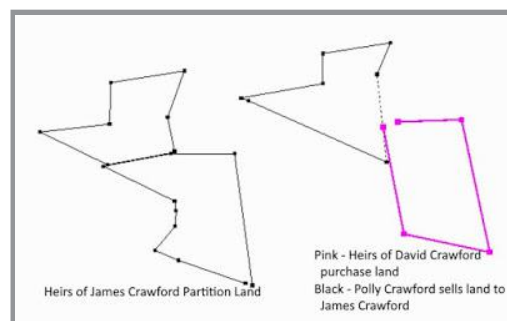
Saturday, April 13, 2019

One of the challenges I regularly face when researching my Crawford brick wall is trying to verify the identity of a James Crawford. That is the case with my attempt to rule out David Crawford of Barren County, KY as the father of my ancestor, James Crawford.

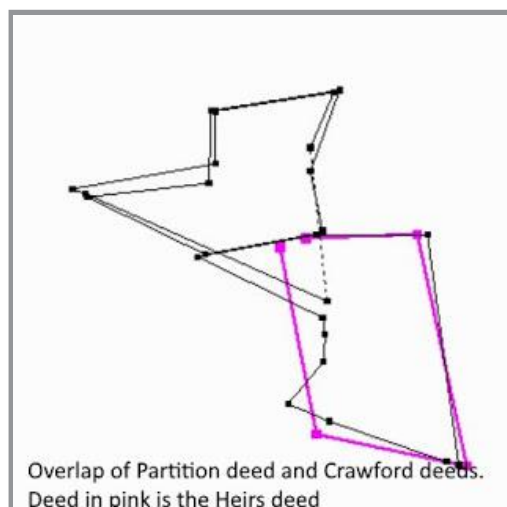
The 1812 will of David Crawford indicates he had a son named James, James Fisher Crawford to be exact. I believe that the James F Crawford in the 1860 and 1870 census records is this same James Crawford.

Unfortunately, I haven't found a record that clearly proves that the James Crawford in the census record is the same James Crawford in the will. However, I have found three land records that may provide supporting evidence. One is a partition of land by the sons of James F Crawford.

Another deed is the purchase of land by the 'Heirs of David Crawford.' The third deed is the sale of land by Polly Crawford to James Crawford. I believe the partition deed is referencing the land from these other two deeds.



Overlaying the two images shows that the land descriptions are not an exact match. However, I believe they are close enough to consider the possibility that they reference the same land.



Below are the deeds involved in this study:

1828 Deed Herod Bybee to Heirs of David Crawford

Barren County, Kentucky

Deeds, 1798-1902, 1961; indexes, 1798-1935

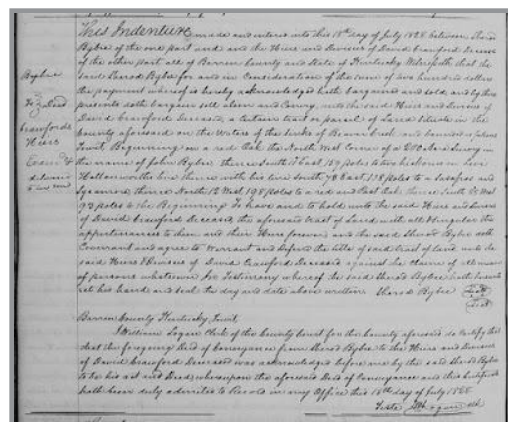
Vols. L-M 1826-1833

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1828 Crawford heirs David Herod Bybee Deed Book L page 298 tract on Beaver Creek

Image 156

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This Indenture made and entered into this 18th day of July 1828 between Herod Bybee of the one part and the heirs and devisees of David Crawford deceased of the other part all of Barren County and State of Kentucky Witnesseth that the said Herod Bybee for and in consideration of the sum of two hundred dollars the payment whereof is hereby acknowledged hath bargained and sold and by these presents doth bargain sell alien and convey unto the said heirs and devisees of David Crawford Deceased a certain tract or parcel of land situate in the County aforesaid on the waters of the [links] of Beaver Creek and bounded as follows to wit Beginning on a red Oak the North West corner of a 200 acre survey the name of John Bybee thence South 11 east 159 Poles to two hickories on Levi Hollonworths line thence with his line South 78 East 128 poles to a Sasafra and Sycamore thence North 12 west 198 poles to a red and post oak thence south 88 west 93 poles to the beginning to have and to hold unto the said heirs and devisees of David Crawford deceased the aforesaid tract of land with all & singular the appurtenances tot hem and their heirs forever and the said Herod Bybee doth covenant and agree to warrant and defend the title of said tract of land unto the said heirs & devisees of David Crawford deceased against the claims of all manner of persons whatsoever In testimony whereof the said Herod Bybee hath herewith set his hand and seal the day and date above written.

Herod Bybee

Barren County Kentucky, to wit

I William Logan Clerk of the County Court for the County aforesaid do certify that

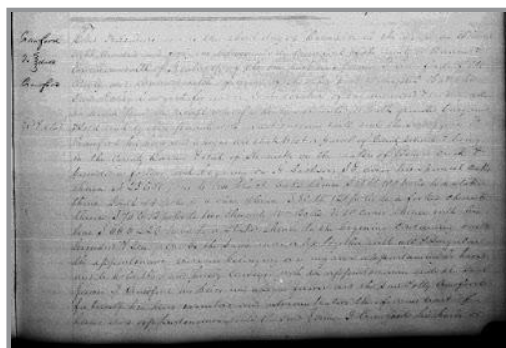
that the foregoing deed of conveyance from Herod Bybee to the heirs and Devisees of David Crawford deceased was acknowledge before me by the said Herod Bybee to be his act and deed, whereupon the aforesaid deed of conveyance and this certificate hath been duly admited to record in m office this 18th day of July 1828
Test DWL

1842 Deed Polly Crawford to James F Crawford

Barren County Kentucky
Land Records

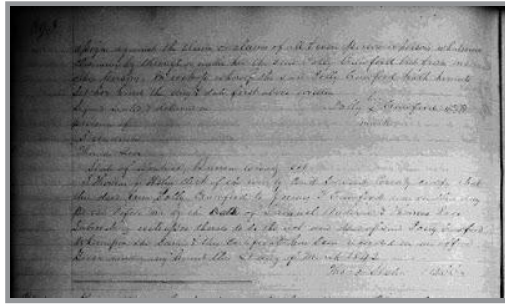
Vol. P-Q, 1838-1842
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1842 Crawford Polly to James F Crawford Deed Q page 392 dated 1841 110 A Beaver Cr



This Indenture made this third day of December in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty one between Polly Crawford of the County of Barren Commonwealth of Kentucky of the one part and James F Crawford of the County and Commonwealth aforesaid of the other part witnesseth that the said Polly Crawford for and in consideration of one hundred & [twenty] dollars in hand paid the receipt whereof hereby acknowledged hath granted bargained & sold and by these presents doth grant bargain & sell unto the said James F Crawford his heirs and assigns all that tract or parcel of land situate & lying in the County Barren & State of Kentucky on the waters of Beaver Creek & bounded as follows to wit beginning on H Dickson SE corner two Spanish Oaks thence N23E 50 poles to two black oaks thence S 81 W 100 poles to a stake thence South 44 poles to a stone thence S 80 W 121 poles to a forked chestnut thence S 70 E 12 poles to two chestnuts Wm Bells N w corner thence with his line S 66 E 220 poles to a stake thence to the beginning containing one hundred & ten acres be the same more or less together with all & singular the appurtenances thereunto belonging [or] any wise appurtenances to have and to hold the land hereby conveyed with the appurtenances unto the said James F Crawford his heirs and assigns forever and the said Polly Crawford for herself her heirs executors and administrators the aforesaid tract of land and appurtenance unto the said James F Crawford his heirs or

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*assigns against the claim or claims of all & every person or persons whatsoever
claiming by through or under her the said Polly Crawford but from no
other person in witness whereof the said Polly Crawford hath hereunto
set her hand the day & date first above written*

Polly (her mark) Crawford

Signed Sealed & delivered in

presence of

S Anderson

Thomas Lo[v]e

State of Kentucky, Barren County

I Thomas J Helm Clerk of the county Court for said county certify that

the deed from Polly Crawford to James F Crawford [was] on this day

proven before me by the oath of Samuel Anderson & Thomas Love

subscribing witnesses thereto to be the act and deed of said polly Crawford

whereupon the same & this certificate has been recorded in my office

Given under my hand the 21 day of March 1842

Thos J Helm BCC

1878 Deed of Partition

Barren County Kentucky

Deeds

Vols. 12-14 1875-1880

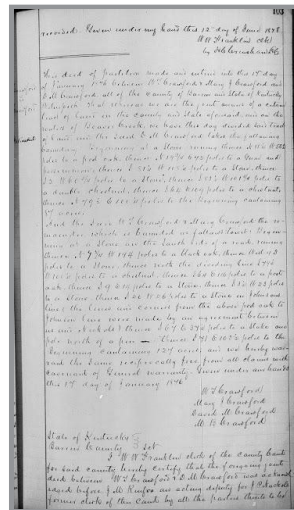
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1878 Crawford David M & MB to WT & Mary J Crawford D of D book 13 page 103 1876
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1878 Crawford Mary J W T to D M & M B Crawford D of D book 13 page 103 1876 87 A
Beaver Creek

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Crawford to Crawford

This deed of partition made and entered into this 14th day of January 1876 between Wm Crawford & Mary J Crawford and D M Crawford all of the county of Barren and State of Kentucky Witnesseth that whereas we are the joint owners of a certain tract of land in the county and state aforesaid and on the waters of Beaver Creek, we have this day divided said tract of land and the said D M Crawford takes the following boundary: Beginning at a stone running thence N 11 1/2 W 50 1/2 poles to a post oak, thence N 19 3/4 E 72 poles to a Gum and persimmon thence S 81 1/4 W 108 1/4 poles to a stone, thence S 2 W 60 3/4 poles to a stone thence S 83 1/2 W 101 3/4 poles to a double chestnut thence S 64 E 109 poles to a chestnut thence N 79 1/2 E 100 1/4 poles to the beginning containing 87 acres

and the said W T Crawford & Mary Crawford the remainder which is bounded as follows to wit: Beginning at a stone on the South side of a road, running thence N 7 3/4 W 194 poles to a black oak thence West 93 poles to a stone thence with the dividing line S 79 1/2 W 100 1/4 poles to a chestnut thence S 64 E 116 poles to a post oak, thence S 9 E 14 poles to a stone, thence S 3 1/2 W 23 poles to a stone thence S 40 W 46 poles to a stone in Johnsons line the lines and corners from the above post oak to Johnson line were made by an agreement between us and Nickols) thence S 67 E 37 1/2 poles to a Stake and pole north of a fur thence S 71 E 103 1/2 poles to the beginning containing 127 acres and we hereby warrant the same reciprocally free from all claims with covenant of General warranty. Given under our hands this 17th day of January 1876

W T Crawford
Mary J Crawford
David M Crawford
M B Crawford

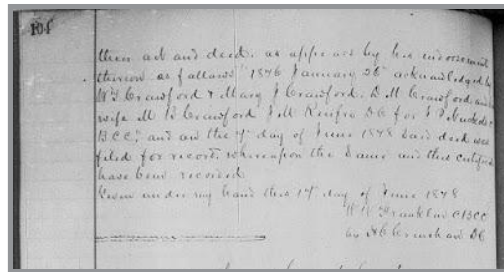
State of Kentucky

Barren County

I W W Franklin clerk of the county court

for said county hereby certify that the foregoing joint deed between W T Crawford & D M Crawford was acknowledged before J m Renfro an acting deputy for J P Nuckols former clerk of the court by all the parties thereto to be

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their act and deed as appears by his endorsement thereon as follows "1846 January 26" acknowledged by W T Crawford & Mary J Crawford, D M Crawford and his wife M B Crawford J M Renfro DC for J P Nuckols B C C " and on the 7th day of June 1878 said deed was filed for record whereupon the same and this certificate have been recorded.

Given under my hand this 17th day of June 1878

W W Franklin CBCC

by H C Crunshan DC

ThruLines Validating Research

Sunday, April 14, 2019

I've seen several negative posts and comments about Ancestry's new DNA tool, ThruLines. I haven't come close to looking at all of my lines, let alone verifying them. However, I am thrilled Ancestry developed this new tool.



With 231 ThruLines, it will take me some time to document them all, let alone verify the other lines. However, I have started the process of 'archiving' the various lines using a spreadsheet format suggested by Diahna Southard. (See: DNA Thru Lines Potential Breakthrough)

As I was entering the information from my various BRILES ThruLines into my spreadsheet, I realized that all of these DNA matches are verifying the information I found in two family genealogies: Keith Typescript and Briles Family by Max Briles.

4th Great	3rd Great	2nd Great	Great Grand	Grandparents
Common				
	Common			
		Common		
			Common	
4 great	3 great	2 Great	Great Grandparents	Common
John Briles	Noah Briles	Tabitha Briles	Milton Kendall	Maxwell Lafayette Kendall
John Briles	Noah Briles	Charity Briles	James Addison Pierce	Florence Pierce
John Briles	Noah Briles	Charity Briles	James Addison Pierce	Florence Pierce
John Briles	Noah Briles	Charity Briles	James Addison Pierce	Florence Pierce
John Briles	Jacob Briles	Jacob Briles	David A. Briles	Tyma Briles
John Briles	Jacob Briles	Jacob Briles	Sarah Catherine Briles	Clarence Givens Ball
John Briles	Jacob Briles	Henry Briles	Robert Lee Briles	Private
John Briles	Jacob Briles	Elizabeth Briles	Mary Catherine Katie L.	Rosa Jane Freeman
John Briles	Jacob Briles	Catharine Briles	Elizabeth P. Skinn	Fannie Corinna Pierce
John Briles	Jacob Briles	Catharine Briles	Elizabeth P. Skinn	Fannie Corinna Pierce
John Briles	Jacob Briles	Eira Briles	Aurelia Rosella Briles	Maxine Rush
John Briles	Dan Briles	Oliver P. Briles	Mary Ann Briles	Lelia R Sawyer
John Briles	Dan Briles	Dan Briles	Martha G. Briles	Private
John Briles	Dan Briles	Catharine Briles	Rachel Victoria Hoover	Arthur Dandakary Hoover

These two genealogies were my starting points for the Briles side of my tree and thus the backbone on which I added other sources. Over the years, I've added census records, marriage records, wills, land records, etc to help document the various Briles families. Not only did these genealogies provide a starting point, they also helped separate individuals of the same name. My Briles research was easier because I had these genealogies as the foundation. My realization that my DNA ThruLines are confirming these genealogies was not only reassuring but also freeing.

I believe my realization is freeing because it validates the practice of using family genealogies, biographies in mug books and even online trees as a starting point to search for the additional records to verify the information found in those sources. So to the nay-sayers who reject online trees, mug books, etc. as being inaccurate, I say forget that. I'm going to use any and all sources of information, including online trees and mug books, to see if I can find additional sources to prove/disprove family relationships. Then I will use my DNA ThruLines to see whether DNA supports my research.

Who Is This James Crawford?

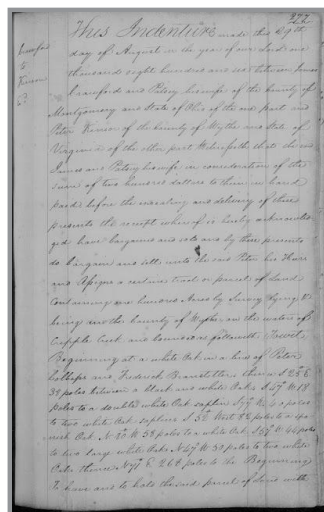
Monday, April 15, 2019

Have you ever run across a record in a county you've been researching and have no idea how the person in the record fits with known families in that area? Well, that's my situation — and it is another James Crawford.

James and Martha Crawford sold land in Barren County, Kentucky. Tax lists for Barren County show a James Crawford with 200 acres on the Marrowbone River. These tax lists also show another James Crawford with 50 acres on the Marrowbone. This second James Crawford is thought to be James and Sally (Smith Duggins) Crawford.

I've also identified the family of David Crawford who died in Barren County, KY in 1812.

Now, I've found a deed for a James Crawford and Patsy his wife selling land in Wythe County Virginia to Peter Kinson. This 1806 deed indicates that James and Patsy were living in Montgomery County, Ohio at the time.



So, who is this James Crawford? Patsy could be a nickname for Martha. Unfortunately, every record I've seen for James and Martha use her given name and not the nickname, Patsy.

Being in Montgomery County, Ohio in 1806 would imply that James and Patsy were early settlers of that state.

Based on that, I checked History.Geo's First Landowners Project. There are 3 entries for James Crawford in Preble County. Two of these entries are for James and Martha while the third is for James and Sally. The Montgomery county entry is for Robert C. Crawford in 1816. Darke County has two entries: Alexander Crawford 1832 and Norman B Crawford 1831.

The Bureau of Land Management's General Land Office Records has 3 entries for Crawford in Montgomery County. All of those entries are for Robert Crawford.

A search of 'Settlers and Builders' of Ohio does not include any James Crawford nor any Crawford in Montgomery County, Ohio.

Since the 1882 book, History of Montgomery County, Ohio has been digitized and is part of the book collection on FamilySearch, I searched it for James Crawford. Other than references to Col. William Crawford, the only Crawford reference from the early history was in a section on James Grimes. James Grimes emigrated from Rockbridge County, Virginia in 1805 travelling thru Crab Orchard, Kentucky. The James Grimes section names Mr. Crawford as one of those who made the trip with him.

At this point, I can't place the James Crawford in this deed.

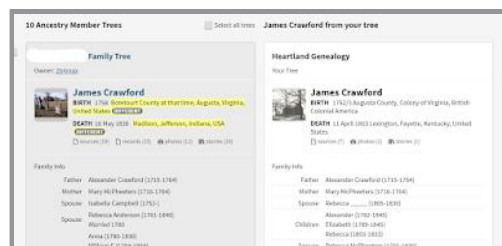
Same Name Issue with Ancestry Hints

Tuesday, April 16, 2019

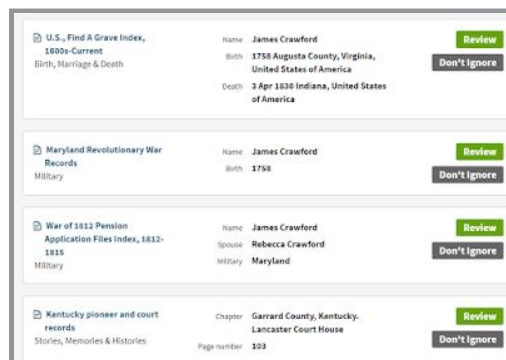
Is something causing Ancestry's hinting system to merge people of the same name?

I'm in the process of trying to disprove several Crawford men as the father of my James Crawford of Preble County, Ohio. Today, I'm trying to work on Rev. James Crawford (1752/3 to 1803) of Fayette County, Kentucky. I've found James Crawford [LZN5-SCD] in some of the Fayette County, KY records on Family Search. However, I have yet to find anything that would link James to his children. Thus, I decided to see if the Ancestry tree hints would help.

I've had Rev. James Crawford along with several other Crawford families from early Kentucky in my tree for quite some time. Thus, I expected to find legitimate hints. Instead, I found a lot of hints for other James Crawfords, whom I also have in my tree. At first, I just assumed that other researchers had confused some of these Crawford families in their trees. However, when I looked at the hints for Ancestor Member trees, I realized that I was ONLY seeing member trees for a DIFFERENT James Crawford.



All of the suggested trees were for James Crawford married to Rebecca Anderson. These trees also had Alexander Crawford and Mary McPheeters as the parents of James Crawford. When I looked at the hints I ignored, there were some hints that pertained to James and Rebecca of Indiana.



In addition, there were hints for James Crawford of Fleming County, Kentucky. This James Crawford married Sarah VanSandt.

Virginia, Select Marriages, 1763-1862 Birth, Marriage & Death	Name James Crawford Spouse Sarah Vansandt Marriage 21 Oct 1766 Botetourt, Virginia	Review Don't Ignore
U.S. and International Marriage Records, 1560-1900 Birth, Marriage & Death	Name James Crawford Spouse Sarah Vansandt Birth 1768 VA Spouse Birth Year 1757 Marriage 1796 VA	Review Don't Ignore
Abstracts of Graves of Revolutionary Patriots Birth, Marriage & Death	Name James Crawford Event 1st Madison, Jefferson Co IN 18	Review Don't Ignore
1820 United States Federal Census Census & Voter Lists	Name James Crawford Residence Jefferson, Indiana	Review Don't Ignore
North America, Family Histories, 1800-2000 Stories, Memories & Histories	Name James Crawford Birth 1759 Virginia Death 1823 Fleming County, KY	Review Don't Ignore

Thus, it appears that multiple trees are merging these various James Crawford families.

Since the hints, suggested trees, and suggested member connects link to these other families, I'm beginning to think some computer algorithm is suggesting that these James Crawfords are the same individual versus separate men. I'm also curious as to why my search didn't generate any hints for the trees that contain Rev. James Crawford.

When I searched Public Member Trees for James Crawford with a death date of 1803 in Fayette County, Kentucky, I did find several trees — trees that should have been suggested in my original hint search.

Name	James Crawford
Father	Mary (Molly) McPheeters
Mother	Alexander Crawford
Birth	1753 Augusta, Virginia, USA
Death	11 Apr 1803 Lexington, Fayette, Kentucky, USA
Name	Rev James Crawford, Rev. war
Spouse	Harriet Elizabeth England
Father	Alexander Crawford
Mother	Mary McPheeters
Children	Samuel
Birth	1753 Augusta, Virginia, USA
Death	11 Apr 1803 Lexington, Fayette, Kentucky, USA

What I also discovered, is that there is no agreement about Rev. James Crawford's wife and/or parents in these various trees.

I don't know whether I can influence these results, but I am going to try by .

- Contacting the various tree owners for James and Rebecca Anderson and James and Sarah Vansandt to see what data they might have indicating that these James Crawfords are the same individual
- Contacting the various tree owners for Rev. James Crawford to find out what data they might have for his wife and/or his parents.

On a positive note, when I did a search for James Crawford, died 1803 in Kentucky, the search found images for the correct James. Unfortunately, that same search did not find member trees for the correct James.

My question to the blogging community: *Have you noticed people of the same name being combined by the Ancestry hint system? If so, would you have any idea what is causing the issue?*

Todd to Crawford Deed Fayette County Kentucky

Wednesday, April 17, 2019

Fayette County, Kentucky County Court, Deed Book B, 1786-1807

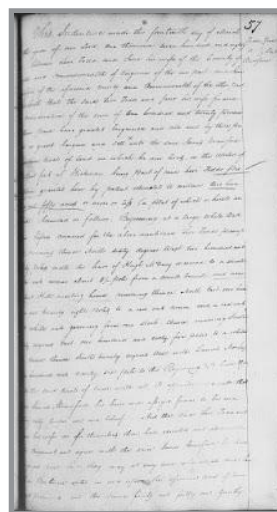
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Image 481 – Index C

Crawford Jas Todd [?] D 57

Image 532 – Deed on page 57 – 14 March 1780 Levi Todd and Jane his wife to James Crawford

Page 57



This Indenture made this fourteenth day of Marcy
the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and eighty
between Levi Todd and Jane his wife of the county of
[Fay]ette and Commonwealth of Virginia of the one part and James
[Cra]wford of the aforesaid county and Commonwealth of the other part
[wi]tnesseth that the said Levi Todd and Jane his wife for an
[in] consideration of the sum of one hundred and twenty pounds
[between] them paid have granted bargained and sold and by these pre-
[sen]ts do grant bargain and sell unto the said James Crawford
[a] certain tract of land on which he now lives, on the waters of
[the] East fork of Hickman being part of said Levi Todds pre-
[em]ption granted him by patent estimated to contain one hun-
[dre]d and fifty acres or more or less (a plat of which is hereto an-
[nex]ed) bounded as follows, Beginning at a large white oak
[nev]er before cornered for the above mentioned Levi Todds preemp-
[tion], running thence North sixty degrees west two hundred and
[twen]ty poles with the heirs of Hugh McNary deceased to a small
[whi]te oak corner about 3 1/2 poles from a small branch and near
[Wa]lnut Hill meeting house : running thence north East one hun-
[dre]d and twenty eight poles to a red oak corner and a red oak
[an]d white oak growing from one stock, thence running South

[six]ty degrees East one hundred and sixty five poles to a white
[?] corner thence South twenty degrees West with Daniel Mosebey
[on]e hundred and twenty six poles to the Beginning to have & to
[ho]ld the said tract of land with all its appurtenances unto the
[sai]d James Crawford his heirs and assigns forever to his and
[?] only proper use and behoof. And the said Levi Todd and
[Ja]ne his wife do for themselves their heirs executors and administrators
[?] covenant and agree with the said James Crawford his heirs
[and] assigns that he or they may at any time and at all times here
[af]ter continue enter in and upon the aforesaid tract of land
[a]nd premises and the same freely and fully and quietly

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and enjoy with all its appurtenances forever, and that the
premises aforesaid are and shall remain free of and from
all former or future gifts grants bargains sales dower judge
ments executions and incumbrances whatsoever by the said
grantees or any other person or persons done or permitted
and also that they do and will warrant and forever defend
the said land and premises from themselves their heirs and
the claim of all persons whatsoever. In witness whereof the
said Levi Todd and Jane his wife have hereto set their
hand and seals the day and year above written

Levi Todd (seal)

Jean Todd (seal)

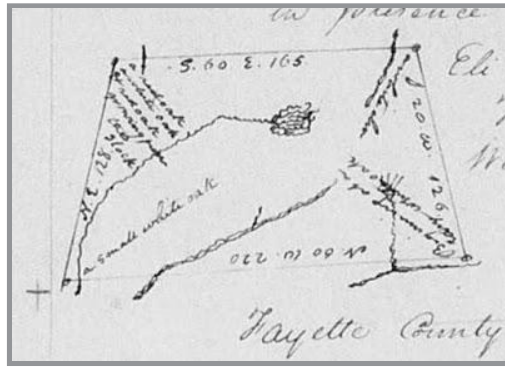
Signed Sealed & acknowledge in presence of

Eli Cleveland

Thos Hall

William McNary

Plat



Fayette County March Com 1786

This deed was produced in court proved by the oaths of Eli Cleveland Thomas Hall and William McNary subscribing witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded
Test Levi Todd Co Com

Fayette County December Court 1804

This indenture of bargain and sale from Levi Todd and Jean his wife to the late Revd James Crawford was produced in Court and is ordered to be again recorded agreeably to law the former record having been destroyed by fire
Test David Todd DC

Re-Learning to Use Shared Events

Thursday, April 18, 2019

Have you used 'shared events' in your genealogy software?

Michelle Simmons Lewis had a Facebook post today that is causing me to re-visit the concept of shared events. In her post, she indicated that she was using shared events to help with a one-name study in early South Carolina.

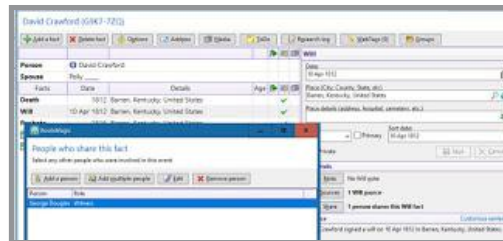
This post caught my attention today for two reasons:

- My Crawford research in Kentucky is similar to a limited one-name study;
- I could be using shared events to tie the various members of my Kentucky FAN club together.

Unfortunately, Michelle Simmons Lewis' post contained hints for Legacy Family Tree software and I use RootsMagic. Knowing that the software packages are similar, I looked for information on shared events in RootsMagic. I found a video by Bruce Buzbee explaining shared events in RootsMagic.

This video helped me think through a couple of ways I can use shared events to help pull together my Crawford research.

My first use was for the witness to a will. Since I already had George Doulgas, the witness to David Crawford's will, in my RootsMagic database, all I had to do was share the will event for David Crawford with George Douglas.



This created a shared event on George Douglas' individual screen.



It also created a sentence for the event.

Shared - Will (David Crawford)

Date: 10 Apr 1812

Place (City, County, State, etc.)
Barren, Kentucky, United States

Place details (address, hospital, cemetery, etc.)

Proof: ☐ Primary ☐ Private

Sort date: 10 Apr 1812

Will Details

No Will note

1 Will source

1 person shares this Will fact

Sentence [Customize sentence](#)

George Douglas witnessed the will of David Crawford on 10 Apr 1812 in Barren, Kentucky, United States.

Knowing that George Douglas sold land to Rebekah Crawford, I would like to share the land transaction. I already had a 'Land-Purch' fact for Rebekah Crawford.

[illegible]

Thus, I thought I could share the 'Land-Purch' event with George Douglas. Since he was the Grantor and not a witness, I edited the 'Land-Purch' fact type to add the role of Grantor.

Edit Fact Type

Edit the 'Principal' role to modify the main sentence template for this fact type. You can also add other roles (witness, etc) which can each have their own sentence templates.

Fact Type Setup

Name: Land-Punch

Abbreviation: Land-Punch

☒ Use date field

☒ Use place field

☒ Use description field

Include where:

☒ Exporting GEDCOM files

☒ Publish online / create HTML




☒ Family group sheets

☒ Narrative reports

☒ Individual summaries

☐ Printed lists

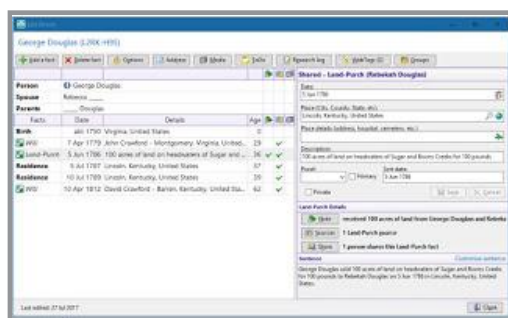
Role Type and Sentence Setup

Role	Sentence Template
Principal	
Witness	
Principal()	
Grantor	<p>Role: Grantor</p> <p>Sentence template: [Thsperson] sold [desc] to [Person] [Datacon] [Place].</p>

OK Cancel

When I shared Rebekah Douglas' Land-Purch fact with George Douglas, it created a sentence showing that George Douglas sold the land.



Unfortunately, the name 'Land-Purch' does not make sense in George's list since he is the seller of the land not the purchaser. Since the principal person in this event is purchasing land, I haven't figured out how to rename the fact so that I will know the principal person is purchasing land.

Now that I have shared two wills and a deed with George Douglas, I would like to be able to easily get from the event in his timeline to the principal person for the event. So far, I haven't figured out how to easily get to the other party in the event.

Thank you Michelle Simmons Lewis for suggesting this use of shared events to help with one name and/or FAN club research! I still need to learn more about this feature of my software, but the ties created by the shared events will be very helpful.

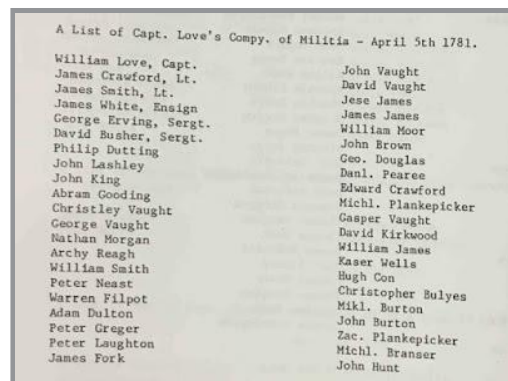
Captain Love's Company of Militia

Friday, April 19, 2019

On my way home from the Northeast Kansas Library System's monthly board meeting, I stopped in Topeka to use the library and archives at the Kansas State Historical Society. One of the books I used was Montgomery County, Virginia: The First 100 Years. [Text by Judge C. W. Crush; Index by Mrs. Frances Terry Ingmire. St. Louis, MO: Mrs Terry Ingmire, 1982.]

On page 94 of this book is a list of Captain Love's Company of Militia. Since James Crawford was listed as a lieutenant for the company, this list may prove useful to my Crawford research. By knowing the names of the various men in this company, I can search their pension records for mention of James Crawford (or any other Crawford).

Page 94



William Love, Capt.	John Vaught
James Crawford, Lt.	David Vaught
James Smith, Lt.	Jesse James
James White, Ensign	James James
George Erving, Sergt.	William Moor
David Busher, Sergt.	John Brown
Philip Dutting	Geo. Douglas
John Lashley	Danl. Pearee
John King	Edward Crawford
Abram Gooding	Michl. Plankepicker
Christley Vaught	Gasper Vaught
George Vaught	David Kirkwood
Nathan Morgan	William James
Archy Reagh	Kaser Wells
William Smith	Bugh Con
Peter Neast	Christopher Bulyes
Warren Filpot	Mikl. Burton
Adam Dulton	John Burton
Peter Greger	Zac. Plankepicker
Peter Laughton	Michl. Branser
James Fork	John Hunt

A list of Capt. Love's Compy. of Militia — April 5th 1781

William Love, Capt.
James Crawford, Lt.
James Smith, Lt.
James White, Ensign
George Erving, Sergt
David Busher, Sergt
Philip Dutting
John Lashley
John King
Abram Gooding
Christley Vaught
George Vaught
Nathan Morgan
Archy Reagh
William Smith
Peter Neast
Warren Filpot
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Peter Laughton
James Fork

John Vaught
David Vaught
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James James
William Moore
John Brown
Geo. Douglas
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Edward Crawford
Michl Plankepicker
Gasper Vaught
David Kirkwood
William James
Kaser Wells
Hugh Con
Christopher Bulyes
Mikl. Burton
John Burton
Zac. Plankepicker
Michl. Branser
John Hunt

Botetourt Virginia Titheables

Saturday, April 20, 2019

Last Wednesday, I had the opportunity to visit the Family History Center in Topeka, Kansas. During this visit, I was able to access digitized images from Botetourt County, Virginia. I was thankful these records were available at the family history center since they were locked at affiliate libraries.

Botetourt County, Virginia
List of Tithables, 1770-1789
FS Film 9106467 DGS 7856374

Looking for Crawford, Douglass, Maxwell

1770

Image 9
Anderson, Lemuel – 1
Crawford, James – 1
Dooley Kenery – 1

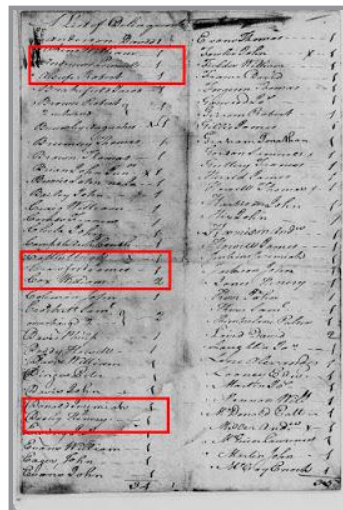


Image 14 – List of Tithebles take in by William Ingles
Image 15 James Craford – 1

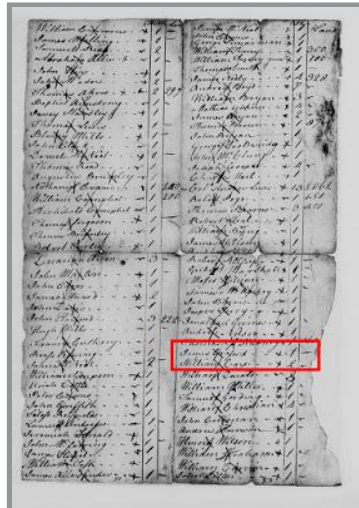


Image 16 –
Henry Dooley
Samuel Bozewell

image 17 – start of 1771

Image 19 – List of tithables take by Benjamin Estil 1771

Wm Maxwell

J L Maxwell

John Maxwell

Image 20 – left side – col. 2 – Wm Crawford

[illegible]

Image 20 – right side – List of Tithables taken by John Boxman

image 22

List of the Tithables on the Head of Little River

Image 23

List of Tithables [my] Company

John Maxwell

Image 25 A list of the tithables in the Lower District
of New River

Image 26

A list of tithables taken from the north side
Buffelo Creek to the County line & from Mountain [Harris]
tax for the year 1771
William Crawford



Image 29

Tithables no returned at Agt Court 1771

Image 31

A list of tithables taken in by Walter Crockett from William
Sayers to the Head of Holstans RiVer for the year 1771

Image 33

A list of Tithables in Capt Campbells Company

Image 34

A list of Tithables in Capt Bledsow Company
John Douglass
John Douglass

Image 37

John Crawford – 2
John Crawford – 2
Wm Crawford – 1



Image 42 – 1772

Image 45 List of tithables on Jacksons River including the Cord purchased and Down James River as Lord as James Lawrence taken according to order Court by John Robinson Jun the 10th 1772

Image 47

Lists Tithables for
 Craigs Creek taken
 by Ben Hawkins 1772
 Crawford John – 1
 Crawford John Junr – 1
 Crawford Andrew – 1
 Crawford William – 1
 Crawford Elias – 1

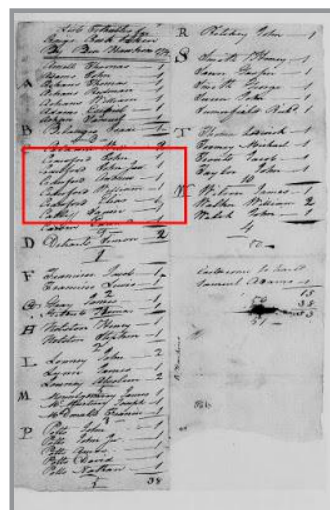


image 52 List of Tithables taken in Capt James Thompson's Company 1772
 Henry Dooley

Image 58

A list of Tithables in Capt Doachs and my own company for the year 1772
Walter Crockett

Image 61 A list of the Tithables on the North side of Buffaloe Creek
Botetourt County taken by Wm McKee 1772

Image 63 – new list – but no heading at top of page
Crawford John – 1
Crawford Samuel – 1

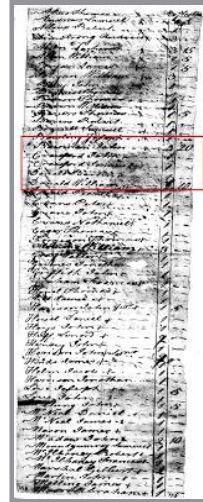


Image 68 A list of tithables in Capt Campbells for 1772 take by R D.

Image 70 A list of tithables in Capt Bledsoes & Capt Looney Company for 1772
Return to R. Douch

Image 72

A list of the tithables in the upper settlement of Little River

Image 73

A list of the tithables on new river & sinking creek

Image 76 A list of tithables taken in by James McGavock from James River to Buffalo
Creek from Mountain to Mounty of the year 1772

Craford William 2

Maxwell John – 2

Maxwell James – 1

Maxwell William – 2

Maxwell THomas – 1

[illegible]

Img 86 – Maxwell Thomas – 1

image 87 The list of tithables from William Huggards up Jacsons River to the County line and to the western waters

Image 90 A list of the tithables on the waters of Breenbriers 1773

Image 91 – right side – List of the tithables from Buffalo Creek to the North River Below the great road taken by James [timbold] in compliance to an order of court to him Directed 1773

image 92

A list of the tithables from the mouth of Craigs Creek up the cowpaster to the county line
and up jacksons river to William Hogarts

Image 97

A list of tithables taken by Geo Skillens for a part of the County of Botetourt and order of the court for the year 1773

image 99 Lit of delinquents

Image 101 List of delinquents

Thos Maxwell – no inhabitant Fincast Co – 0

DNA Stats

Sunday, April 21, 2019

Randy Seaver of Genea-Musings is known for his Saturday Night Genealogy Fun challenges. His blog post, DNA Tests and Analysis Summary wasn't a Saturday Night Genealogy Fun challenge, but I decided that I needed to view it as a challenge to review my DNA results.

3rd-4th Cousin Shared DNA: 131 cM across 8 segments	65 People Common ancestor	Add/edit groups grandson of Ethel Lighter → Lida Crawford → Washington Marlow
3rd-4th Cousin Shared DNA: 127 cM across 7 segments	6 People Common ancestor	Add/edit groups Possibly Hutchinson/Harding Breedland
3rd-4th Cousin Shared DNA: 126 cM across 8 segments	No Trees	Add/edit groups 126 cM across 8 segments 2nd cousin Horton line

Gedmatch

- highest cM match – 387.2 cM
- # matches sharing 68 cM or more – 9
- # matches sharing 34 cM or more – 53

yDNA matches

- 18 at 111 markers with genetic distance of 6 or higher
- 52 at 67 markers with genetic distance of 1 or higher

FamilyTree DNA

- Total family finder matches – 1384
- Highest cM match – 406 cM

MyHeritage

- Total Matches – 10481
- Highest cM match – 215.4 cM
- Theories of Relativity – 14

Ancestry – My Test

- Total Matches – 89,966
- 4th Cousin or Closer – 2,998
- Highest cM match (excluding immediate family) – 1007 cM
- DNA Circles – 48
- Shared Ancestors (believe there is an issue with this – previously reported to Ancestry) – 192
- ThruLines – 218

Ancestry – Brother #1

- Total Matches – 101,751
- 4th Cousin or Closer – 3,770
- Highest cM Match (excluding immediate family) – 1042 cM
- DNA Circles – 47
- Shared Ancestors (believe there is an issue with this) – 188

Ancestry – Brother #2

- Total Matches – 93,791
- 4th Cousin or Closer Matches – 3,210
- Highest cM Match (excluding immediate family) – 748 cM
- DNA Circles – 47
- Shared Ancestors (believe there is an issue with this) – 184

Ancestry – parent

- Total Matches – 60,919
- 4th Cousin or Closer Matches – 2,184
- Highest cM Match (excluding immediate family) – 1861 cM
- Shared Ancestors – 228

Even though I have transferred my Ancestry DNA results to as many places as possible, I prefer working with my Ancestry results.

- I have more results on Ancestry.
- More of my 2nd and 3rd cousins have tested on Ancestry
- Ancestry ThruLines is proving to be very helpful.

Common Ancestor Puzzle

Thursday, April 25, 2019

Do you ever participate in one of Blaine Bettinger's DNA quizzes? Or, do you ever see someone else's post about their DNA stats and decide to investigate your own? I know I often take the time to look at the data and see how my data compares.

That happened two days ago when someone (and unfortunately I don't know who and can't find the original post) posted about his Ancestry DNA Common ancestors. Basically, the poster indicated how many common ancestors he had at each cousin level and wondered how that compared to other testers.

Thus, I decided to look at mine:

- One 1st cousin
- Three 2nd cousins
- Five 3rd cousins

With over 3,000 4th cousin or closer DNA matches, I expected a lot of common ancestors at the 4th cousin level. Thus, ***I was shocked to only find EIGHT.***

Out of curiosity, I looked at my ***incomplete*** ThruLines spreadsheets to see how many cousins I have identified so far.

Name	Relationship	1C	1C1/2	2C	2C1/2	2C3/4	3C	3C1/2	3C3/4	4C	4C1/2	4C3/4
Total		1	4	4	4	1	13	15	4	41	19	4

Not only do the numbers differ for 4th cousins, but they also differ for how many 2nd and 3rd cousins I have descending from a common ancestor.

This sent me back to my matches list. When I looked at the number of shaky leaf icons in my matches list, the number of the shaky leaf icons for 1st thru 3rd cousins matched the number of cousins using the common ancestor filter.

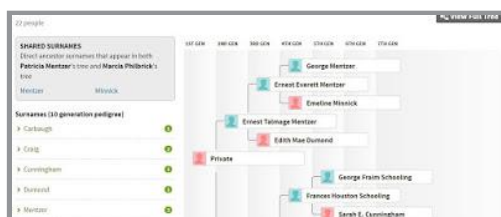
The next level is a little deceiving. On the matches list this level is 4th thru 6th cousin — not just 4th cousins. So I started counting the shaky leaf icons. I had counted 155 shaky leaf icons and was still in the 4th-6th cousin section. Since I had reached a match length of just 22 cM, I stopped counting.

Once I realized that the shaky leaf is not always synonymous with common ancestor, I went back and started looking for the term 'common ancestor' by the shaky leaf. I quickly counted over 8 4th-6th cousins with the words 'common ancestor'. Studying the first 15 of those 'common ancestor' matches, I found it odd that three of the 15 matches had two trees with a tree size of 7 and one tree in the list with a tree size of 2. When I looked at those very small trees, a common ancestor was not shown on the tree.



Since I descend from Isom Gallimore, it is possible that Isom Gallimore is our common ancestor. However, nothing in my match's tree connects my match to Isom Gallimore. Yet, this match comes up using the 'Common Ancestor' filter.

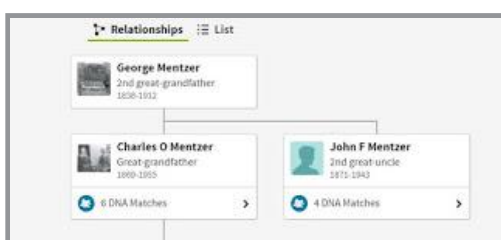
Going back to my match list, I wondered why some of my known cousins don't appear as common ancestors. For example, several descendants of my 2nd Great Grandfather, George Mentzer, have tested but aren't listed on the 'common ancestor' list.



This match descends from George Mentzer thru his son Ernest. My tree not only contains information on George Mentzer, but on his children and grandchildren.



Thus, our two trees should contain enough information to connect our two trees. Thus, I expected to find this match on the ThruLines screen for George Mentzer.



Unfortunately, the ThruLines screen does not show George's son Ernest and the link to my DNA match — even though our trees both contain Ernest as a son of George Mentzer.

Since this Mentzer match has an unlinked tree, I'm wondering if that is keeping the 'common ancestor' and ThruLnes from working for this match. Unfortunately, I don't have an explanation for only EIGHT 4th cousin matches showing up with the 'Common Ancestor' filter.

Can anyone else explain this?

Re-Searching

Friday, April 26, 2019

Do you ever go back thru your research trying to use your older research to try and find new information? If so, that is what I'm working on with my James Crawford brick wall. As part of that process, I'm reviewing the other Crawford families I've identified and trying to prove/disprove a relationship with my ancestor, James Crawford.

Thus, I was looking at the James Crawford who was a Presbyterian minister at Walnut Hill Church outside of Lexington, Kentucky. Not only am I trying to find additional information, but I'm also trying to make sure I have good source citations for the information I have already located.

For Rev. James Crawford's death date, I had cited Kentucky Obituaries 1787-1854

The screenshot shows a software window titled 'Edit Source' for a record named '_TMS_Book (Multi-Authored)'. It features several tabs: 'Citation', 'Master list', 'Detail list', 'Media', 'Quality', and 'Repository'. The 'Citation' tab is active, displaying fields for 'Master Source' (Crawford, KY 1787-1854), 'Author' (CPL G. Glenn), 'Publish Date' (1877), 'Publisher Address' (Baltimore, MD), 'Publisher' (Genealogical Publishing Co.), 'Short Title' (Kentucky Obituaries), and 'Title' (Kentucky Obituaries 1787-1854). To the right, there are sections for 'Quality: Secondary', 'Footnote' (CPL G. Glenn, Kentucky Obituaries 1787-1854 [Baltimore, MD: Genealogical Publishing Co., 1877], p. 116 [Crawford, KY 001], Hereinafter cited as Kentucky Obituaries), 'Short Footnote' (CPL G. Glenn, Kentucky Obituaries p. 116 [Crawford, KY 001]), and 'Bibliography' (CPL G. Glenn, Kentucky Obituaries 1787-1854 [Baltimore, MD: Genealogical Publishing Co., 1877]). At the bottom, the 'Citation Detail' field shows 'p. 116 [Crawford, KY 001]'.

Since my citation had included my filing code, Crawford.KY.001, I could locate my notes.

The image shows a handwritten 'SEARCH SHEET' with the following entries:

- Source: Kentucky Obituaries 1787-1854
- Repository: TPL
- Names: Crawford, Alexander 138; Hugh 16; James 111; Rev James 9, 131, 138, 139; James B. 120; John 101; William B. 79; H. 96
- p 138: Alexander Crawford only son of Rev James Crawford died Wed May 28 1845
- p 16: Hugh Crawford Observed 17 Jan 1818
- p 116: James Crawford of Fleming County died Sept 18 36
- p 4: Rev James Crawford died 13 Apr 1803

These notes are typical of my early days of genealogy research. They are handwritten and usually contain the title of the source and repository where I found it. My early research rarely contained a full citation.

Curious as to how accurately I recorded the information, I decided to see if I could find this information on Ancestry. From various Barefoot Genealogist's Ancestry videos, I knew that I should search Ancestry's collections and not rely on the hinting system. Thus, I repeated my search for a James Crawford who died in 1803 in Kentucky.

First & Middle Name(s): James
 Last Name: Crawford
 Birth Year:
 Death Year: 1803 Location: Kentucky
 Add family member: Father Mother Sibling Spouse Child

The results from this search had only one suggested source for the death: Find a Grave Index.

Search Filters: James, Crawford, 1803, Kentucky
 Records: 1 of 1
 Categories: Birth, Marriage & Death, Death, Burial & Burial Place, Cemetery & Burial Place, Family Trees

Even though I didn't come up with the Kentucky Obituaries source, I elected to continue looking. I then did a search of the catalog for Kentucky Obituaries.

Card Catalog
 Searchable listing of all record collections
 Results 1 of 1
 Kentucky Obituaries, 1787-1854

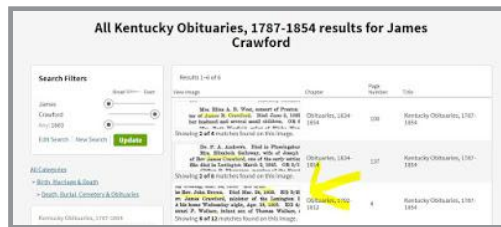
This search provided me a link to the Ancestry database, Kentucky Obituaries, 1787-1854. The Source Description did not indicate that the database was pulled from the book I used years ago. Hoping that the database contained similar information as found in the book, I did a search for James Crawford who died in 1803.

Kentucky Obituaries, 1787-1854
 Search: Match all terms exactly
 First & Middle Name(s): James
 Last Name: Crawford
 Birth Year: 1803 Location: Kentucky
 Keyword:
 Browse this collection: Table of Contents, Title Page, Introduction to This Book, Obituaries, 1787-1812, Obituaries, 1813-1833, Obituaries, 1834-1854, Index to This Book

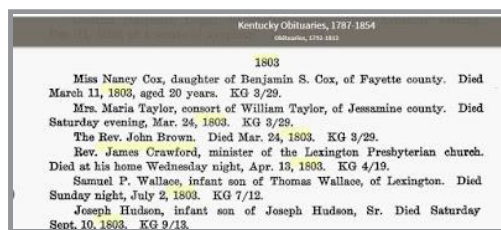
Unfortunately, that search produced NO results.

All Kentucky Obituaries, 1787-1854 results for James Crawford
 Search Filters: James, Crawford, 1803
 No results found for James Crawford returned any good matches.
 What should you do?
 Try re-checking your search. Sometimes there are small mistakes when the search results are found.

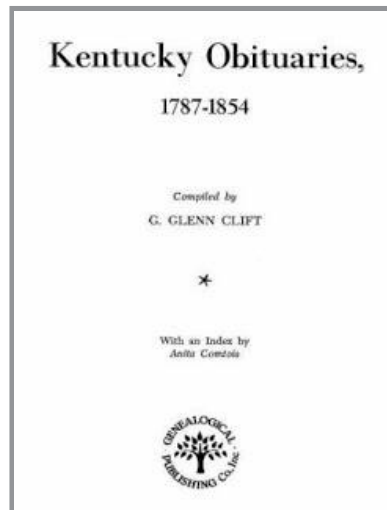
When I edited the search to be less 'Exact', I got a page of results, including the reference to Rev. James Crawford that I was hoping to find.



Clicking on the image in the results list took me to a digital image from what appears to be a page from the book.



Thus, I was able to verify that my handwritten notes were correct. This source is an 'index' and not the original newspaper entry. However, it does provide additional information that I did not have in my handwritten notes: "KG 4/19". Since the images were browsable, I was able to go to the first image, where I discovered that the database is pulling from the book I used for my notes.



Browsing images at the first of the book, I was able to locate information indicating that KG stands for Kentucky Gazette.

results from a search of All Collections.
Based on my experience, I believe that I Ancestry has a lot of resources that I haven't used . Thus, I need to go beyond searching for the individual in all collections to searching the 'Card Catalog' to see what resources are available for a locality and then searching those resources.

James Crawford Husband of Sally

Friday, April 26, 2019



James Crawford was born on 17 Apr 1772 in Virginia, British Colonial America. 1– 5

He was listed on the tax rolls in 1800 in Garrard, Kentucky, United States. 6

7 He registered a stock mark in 1811 in Washington Township, Preble, Ohio, United States. 8 James voted in first election in 1814 in Washington Township, Preble, Ohio, United States. 9

He filed land entry papers indicating full payment for the NW 1/4 S14 T7 Range2E on 8 Jun 1816 in Ohio, United States. 10



He was listed on the tax rolls in 1818 in Preble, Ohio, United States. 11 James was listed on the tax rolls in 1819 in Preble, Ohio, United States. 12 He was listed on the tax rolls in 1820 in Preble, Ohio, United States. 13 He was listed with 1 male 10-16, 1 male 45 and over, 1 female under 10, 2 females 10-16, 2 females 16-26, 2 females 45 and over in Washington Township, Preble, Ohio, United States on 1 Jul 1820. 14 James was listed on the tax rolls in 1821 in Preble, Ohio, United States. 15

He sold land of Preble County Ohio, being the E 1/2 NW 1/4 S14 T7 R2E for \$300 on 11 Dec 1821 in Preble, Ohio, United States. 16 He purchased on 11 Dec 1821 in Preble, Ohio, United States. 17 James was listed on the tax rolls in 1822 in Preble, Ohio, United

States. 18

He was listed on the tax rolls in 1823 in Preble, Ohio, United States. 19 He was listed on the tax rolls from 1827 to 1850 in Gasper Township, Preble, Ohio, United States. 20 James was listed with 1 male 20-30, 1 male 50-60, 1 female 15-20, 1 female 20-30, and 1 female 50-60 in Gasper Township, Preble, Ohio, United States in 1830. 21 He was listed on the tax rolls in 1832 in Gasper Township, Preble, Ohio, United States. 22

He was listed with 1 male 5-10, with 1 male 10-15, 1 male 60-70, 1 female under 5, 1 female 15-20 and 1 female 70-80 in Gasper Township, Preble, Ohio, United States on 1 Jul 1840. 23 James was listed as 78 year old white male farmer born VA with \$2000 in real estate along with Sarah Crawford and Martha Stoner at Gasper Twp. in Gasper Township, Preble, Ohio, United States on 2 Aug 1850. 24 He bequeathed \$50 to his granddaughter, Martha Stoner 7, 25– 26

He signed a will on 25 Oct 1851 in Preble, Ohio, United States. 7, 26 James died on 5 Jul 1854 at the age of 82 in Preble, Ohio, United States. 2– 3, 5, 27– 28 He was buried after 5 Jul 1854 in Mound Hill, Preble County, Ohio. 3, 5, 28

James Crawford and Sarah “Sally” Smith were married on 12 Sep 1799 in Garrard, Kentucky, United States. 29– 35 **Sarah “Sally” Smith** was born on 25 Feb 1770 in Virginia, United States. 2, 28, 36– 37 She on 24 Jul 1780 in Richmond, Richmond (city), Virginia, United States. 38 She was also known as Sarah Duggins on 22 Jan 1788. Sally sold land on 16 Jun 1794 in Amherst, Amherst, Virginia, United States. 39 She sold land on 16 Jun 1794 in Amherst, Amherst, Virginia, United States. 40 She lived in Preble, Ohio, United States in 1807. 27 Sally lived 80 year old white female born VA at Gasper Twp. in Gasper Township, Preble, Ohio, United States on 2 Aug 1850. 24 She sold land on 19 Jan 1856 in Preble, Ohio, United States. 41 She died on 2 May 1856 in Preble, Ohio, United States. 2, 27– 28, 37 Sally was buried after 2 May 1856 in Mound Hill, Preble County, Ohio. 28, 37

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Tree Hint Issue

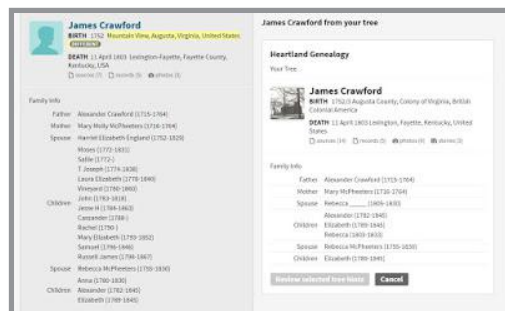
Saturday, April 27, 2019

When working with Ancestry hints, do you look at the 'Member Tree' hints, or do you just ignore them? I look at them and often accept them *without* adding information to my tree. This creates a connection to other researchers that I can go back to.

While working with a non-ancestor, Rev. James Crawford (1752-1803), the suggested member trees really puzzled me. Many were trees for the James Crawford that married Rebecca Anderson. However, they also included the family information for the James Crawford that married Sarah VanSant



Other trees were for the James Crawford that married Rebecca Anderson. These trees included the wife and children of Rev. James Crawford.



Since I was getting photo and story hints for the correct James, I tried a search of public member trees for Rev. James Crawford to see if it pulled up trees for the correct James. This search did pull up some trees for other James, but it did find several trees for Rev. James Crawford.



The trees found by the search of public member trees should be the trees suggested as member tree hints.

I have all of these James Crawford families in my Ancestry tree, Heartland Genealogy. I

have attached source information to document their lives and to document that they are separate families. Thus, I don't understand why the hinting system is suggesting the wrong set of trees.

Will James Crawford of Fleming County Kentucky

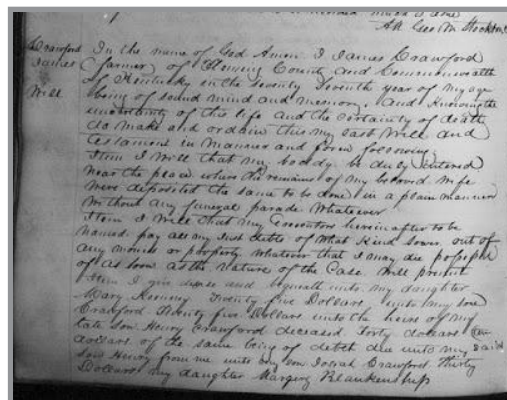
Sunday, April 28, 2019

James Crawford's 1835 will found on pages 435-436 of Book E in Fleming County, Kentucky

Legacies

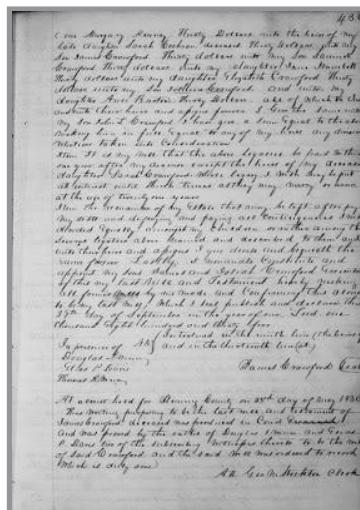
- daughter Mary Kennerey
- son Crawford
- late son Henry Crawford
- son Josiah Crawford
- daughter Margery Blankenship (Maargary Kenney)
- late daughter Sarah Conran
- son James Crawford
- Son Samuel Crawford
- Daughter Jane Hamlett
- daughter Elizabeth Crawford
- son Joshua Crawford
- daughter Ann Barton
- son John L Crawford

James Crawford Will



In the name of God Amen. I James Crawford(farmer) of Fleming County and Commonwealthof Kentucky in the seventy seventh year of my agebeing of sound mind and memory. And knowing theuncertainty of this life and the certainty of deathdo make and ordain this my last will andtestament in manner and form followingItem I will that my executors herein after to benamed pay all my just debts of what kind soever out of any monies or property whatsoever that I may die possessinItem I give devise and bequeath unto my daughterMary Kennerey twenty five dollars unto my sonCrawford twenty five dollars unto the heirs of mylate son Henry Crawford deceased forty dollars (tendollars of the same being of debt due unto my saidson Henry from me unto my son Josiah Crawford. Thirty dollars my daughter Margery Blankenship

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(one Margary Kenney Thirty Dollars unto the heirs of mylate daughter Sarah Conran deceased thirty dollars unto myson James Crawford thirty dollars unto my son SamuelCrawford thirty dollars unto my daughter Jane Hamlettthirty dollars unto my daughter Elizabeth Crawford thirtydollars unto my son Joshua Crawford and unto mydaughter Ann Barton thirty dollars. all of which to themand their heirs and assigns forever. I give the same unto my son John L Crawford I have give a sum equal to the abovemaking him in full equal to any of my heirs any divisionwhatsoever taken int considerationItem it is my will that the above legacees be paid withinone year after my decease except the heirs of my deceaseddaughter Sarah Crawford whos legacy I wish may be putat interest until shuch times as they may marry or comeat the age of twenty one yearsItem the remainder of my estate that may be left after payingmy debts and defraying and paying all contingencies I wishdivided equally amongst my children or rather among theseveral legatees above named and described to them andunto their heirs and assigns I give devise and bequeth thesame forever Lastly I nominate constitute and appoint my sons James and Josiah Crawford executorsof this my last will and testament hereby revokingall former wills by me made and confirming this aloneto be my last will which I seal publish and declare this27th day of September in the year of our Lord onethousand eight hundred and thirty fiveInterlined in the ninth line (the heirs of)and in the thirteenth line (at)Jame Crawford (seal)In presence ofDouglas [I Muin]Elias P. DavisThomas R main

At a court held for Fleming County on 23rd day of May 1836this writing purporting to be the last will and testament ofJames Crawford deceased was produced in courtand was proved by the oaths of Douglas [I Miur] and EliasP. Davis two of the subscribing witnesses thereto to be the willof said Crawford and the said will was ordered to recordwhich is duly doneA M Geo N Stockton Clerk

Fleming County KentuckyProbate RecordsVols. D-E 1829-1837FS Film 344040 DGS 4818899

Crawford Marriages – Fleming County Kentucky

Monday, April 29, 2019

The will of James Crawford in Fleming County, Kentucky lists his children, giving the married names of his daughters. This makes it possible to match up the marriage records with the legacies from the will.

Legacees

- daughter Mary Kennerey [married William Kenny October 19th 1809]
- son Crawford
- late son Henry Crawford
- son Josiah Crawford
- daughter Margery Blankenship (Maargary Kenney) [married John Kenny September 18 1810]
- late daughter Sarah Conran [married Jonathan Cochran April 7th — (likely 1814)]
- son James Crawford [married Fanny Mills February 15 1821]
- Son Samuel Crawford
- Daughter Jane Hamlett [married Joseph Hamlet March 22 1820]
- daughter Elizabeth Crawford
- son Joshua Crawford [married Mary Howard 1828 Feby 14]
- daughter Ann Barton
- son John L Crawford

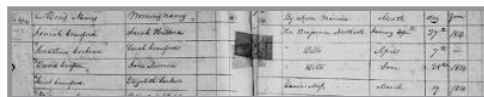
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Image 17



Alexander Crawford to Rebecca Alexander by Benjamin Northcut 24 June 1810

Image 18



Isaiah Crawford to Sarah Hillards by Rev. Benjamin Northcott January 27th 1814
Jonathan Cochran to Sarah Crawford by Rev. Benjamin Northcott April 7th — (likely 1814)
Jacob Crawford to Elizabeth Jackson by Daniel Moss March 19 1814

Image 20



James Crawford to Fanny Mills by Benjm Northcott February 15 1821

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Another James Crawford

Tuesday, April 30, 2019

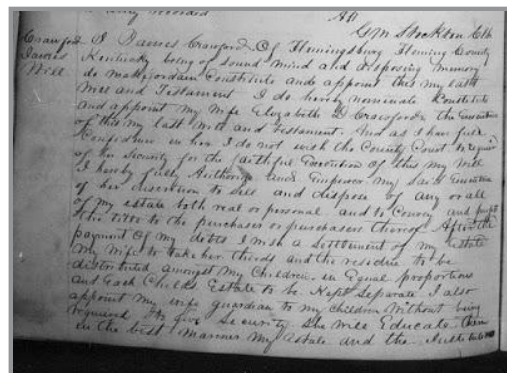
I thought I had figured out those James Crawfords who appear on multiple family trees with intermingled records and families. To my surprise, I have found another one in Fleming County, Kentucky. James, the husband of Sarah Vansandt, died in May 1836. This is the James Crawford I already knew about.

When I located the will of James Crawford, I found the will of another James Crawford dated September 1836. This James Crawford was the husband of Elizabeth D. Crawford, daughter of Mrs. Stockton. Not only are there TWO James Crawfords in Fleming County, Kentucky, but they both die in 1836!

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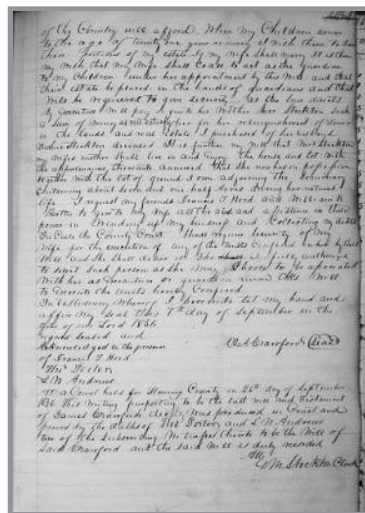


James Crawford Will

I James Crawford of Flemingsburg Fleming County Kentucky being of sound mind an disposing memory do make ordain constitute and appoint this my last will and testament I do hereby nominate constitute and appoint my wife Elizabeth D Crawford the executrix of this my last will and testament. And as I have full confidence in her I do not with the County Court to require of her security for the faithful execution of this my will I hereby fully authorize and empower my said executrix of her discretion to sell and dispose of any or all of my estate both real or personal and to convey and [purfect] the title to the purchaser or purchasers thereof after the payment of my debts I wish a settlement of my estate

my wife to take her thirds and the residue to be distributed amongst my children in equal proportions and each child's estate to be kept separate I also appoint my wife guardian to my children without being required to give security She will educate them in the best manner my estate and the [?]

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of the Country will afford when my children arrive to the age of twenty one years or marry I wish them to have their portions of my estate If my wife shall marry it is then my wish that my wife shall cease to act as the guardian to my children under her appointment by this will and that their estate be placed in the hands of guardians and that will be required to give security as the law directs My executrix will pay or give her mother Mrs. Stockton such a sum of money as will satisfy her for her relinquishment of dower in the lands and real estate I purchased of her husband Joshua Stockton deceased. It is further my will that Mrs. Stockton my wife's mother shall live and enjoy the house and lot with the appurtenance thereunto annexed that she now has in possession together with the lot of ground I own adjoining the Seminary containing about seven and one half acres during her natural life. I request my friends Francis T Hord and William A Beattie to give to my wife all the aid and assistance in their power in winding up my business and collecting my debts In case the County Court shall require security of my wife for the execution of any of the trusts conferred in her by this will and she shall desire it she is fully authorized to select such person as she may choose to be associated with her as executrix or guardian [mad] this will to execute the trusts hereby confirmed In testimony whereof I hereunto set my hand and affix my seal this 7th day of September in the

year of our Lord 1836

Jas Crawford Seal

Signed Sealed and

acknowledged in the presence

of Francis T Hords

Thos Porter

L W Andrews

At a court held for Fleming County on the 26th day of September

1836 this writing purporting to be the last will and testament

of James Crawford decd was produced in court and

proved by the oaths of Thos Porter and L W Andrews

two of the subscribing witnesses thereto to be the will of

said Crawford and the said will is duly recorded

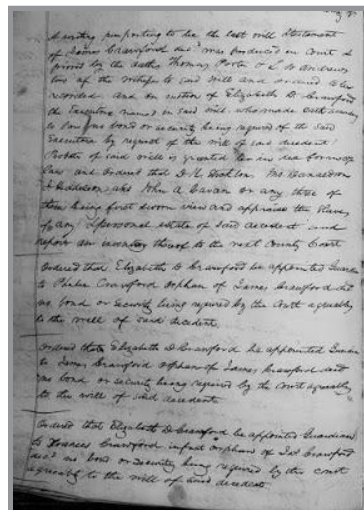
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G M Stockton Clerk

Fleming County Kentucky Court Minutes (order book) V. E-F Oct 1827-Aug 1940 FS Film
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September Court 1836

A writing purporting to be the last will & testament of James Crawford decd was produced in court & proved by the oaths Thomas Porter & L M Andrews two of the witnesses to said will and ordered to be recorded and on motion of Elizabeth D Crawford the executrix named in said will who made oath according to law no bond or security being required of the said executrix by request of the will of said decedant Probate of said will is granted her in due form of law and ordered that D. K. Stockton Mo Donaldson J Huddelson & John a Davan or any three of them being first sworn view and appraise the slaves if any & personal estate of said decedent and report an inventory thereof to the next County Court ____ Ordered that Elizabeth D Crawford be appointed guardian to Phebe Crawford orphan of James Crawford dec no bond or security being required by the court agreeably

o the will of said decedant—Ordered that Elizabeth D Crawford be appointed guardian to James Crawford orphan of James Crawford decd no bond or security being required by the court agreeably to the will of said decedent____Ordered that Elizabeth D Crawford be appointed guardian to Frances Crawford infant orphan of Jas Crawford decd no bond or security being required by the court agreeably to the will of said decedent

Will of David Crawford

Wednesday, May 01, 2019

One of the suggestions for breaking down a brick wall is to go back thru one's previous research. I can't say that I've broken thru my brick wall, but I can say that this review process is helping me learn about other Crawford families in the area.

So, last night, I continued the process when I found my handwritten notes from the book, Index to the Recorded Kentucky Wills to 1851: The Testators. It appears that I transcribed the information for all of the Crawfords. Curious about the contents of some of these early wills, I used FamilySearch to locate the 1805 will for David Crawford.

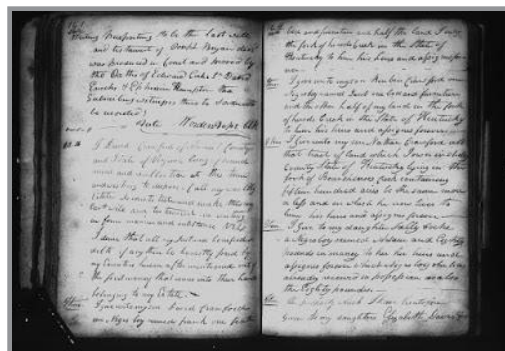
This will names the children, gives the married name of the daughters, identifies some slaves and identifies several pieces of land. Based on the information in the will, I believe this will is for David Crawford IV whose FamilySearch ID is L55C-CW6.

Jefferson County Kentucky
Will Books
1784-1833
FS Film 9043 DGS 7637316

David Crawford IV L55C-CW6
Children Named

- son David Crawford
- son Reuben Crawford
- son Nathan Crawford
- daughter Sally Cocke
- daughter Elizabeth Davis
- daughter Nancy Jones
- son Charles Crawford
- son Nelson Crawford
- son William Crawford

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*I David Crawford of Amherst County
and State of Virginia being of sound
mind and recollection at this time*

*and wishing to dispose of all my worldly
Estate do constitute and make this my
last will and testament in writing
in four manner and substance vise
I desire that all my just and verified
debts if ny there be honestly paid by
my executors herein after mentioned out of
the first money that comes into their hands
belonging to my Estate
I give unto my son David Crawford
one Negro boy named Frank one feather*

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*bed and furniture and half the land I own
the fork of herods Creek in the State of
Kentucky to him his heirs and assigns for
ever*

Item

*I give unto my son Reuben Crawford one
negro boy named Jacob one bed and furniture
and the other half of my land in the fork
of herods Creek in the State of Kentucky
to him his heirs and assigns forever*

Item

*I give unto my son Nathan Crawford all
that tract of land which I wond in Shelby
County state of Kentucky lying in the
fork of Bearshe[uses] Creek containing
fifteen hundred acres be the same more
or less and on which he now lives to
him his heirs and assigns forever*

Item

*I give to my daughter Sally Cocke
a negro boy named Adam and eighty
pounds in money to her his heirs and
assignes forever which Negro boy she has
already received in possession as also
the eighty pounds*

Item

*The property which I have heretofore
given to my daughter Elizabeth Davis &*

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Nancy Jones and which they have had
in possession thereby ratify and confirm to
them their heirs and assigns forever
Item

I give and bequeath unto my son [Croel]
Crawford that tract of land I purchased
of Richard Taliaferro & on which he
now lives containing three hundred
and ninety five acres be the same
more or less but with the variation
(vise) all the said tract of land
lying immediately on the west side of the
road now passing through the gap of the
tobacco Mountain and running to Elias
Wills's Rode and so much of my former
tract of land as may be on the west side
of the road which is to be his Eastern
Boundary to him his heirs and assigns
forever

Item

I give unto my son Nelson Crawford the
sum of fifty pounds current money
with legal interest thereon from
the year one thousand seven hundred
and eighty six until it shall be
paid it being to make the balance

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of two hundred pounds for the land he
now lives on to make it equal in value
to the land which I have given to my
son John Crawford & now bequeath unto
my son Charles Crawford to him his heirs
and assigns forever provided never the less
that in my life time I should pay my said
son Nelson the aforesaid sum of fifty pounds
with interest as aforesaid or give my bond
payable for the same in that case this
bequith to be null and void

Item

I give and bequeth unto Wm Crawford
all that tract of land lying on and adjoining
the buffalo Ridge in the County of Amherst
containing two hundred and sixty two acres
be the same more or less and granted by
patent bearing date the 17th of May
1789 to him his heirs and assigns forever
Thence to my beloved wife the land I now
live on also one hundred and ninety four
acres adjoining which I purchased of
Robert Johnston also fifty acres adjoin
ing which I took Up & surveyed as also
the land I purchased of Wm Haynes
for her use and comfortable support
during her natural life & after her

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decease to be sold by my executors to the
best advantage either for ready money
or on such credit as shall be agreed on
by a majority of such my legatees on the
summons of them or their legal representa
tives as may be Interested therein its then
my desire that five hundred pounds of
purchase money be paid by my executors
to each of my sons Reuben and David Crawford
then the remainder of the purchase money
to be equally amongst all my children male or
female or their legal representatives share &
share alike excepting my two sons Reuben and
David Crawford & who are to have no part
thereof

Item

I also lend to my beloved wife during her
natural life all my slaves and other person
nal Estate of every kind whatever except such
slaves and other personal Estate already
disposed of and after her death such slaves

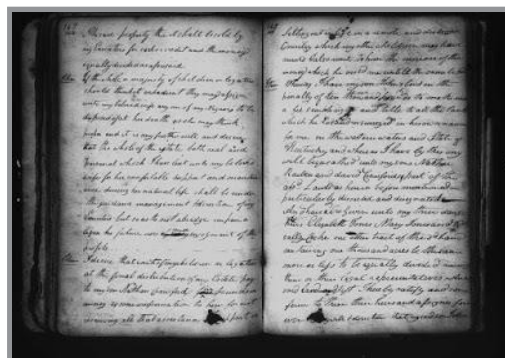
and personal Estate with their Increase
equally divided between all my children
or their legal representatives vise my
sons John William Nelson Charles Nathan
Reuben and David Crawford and my daughters
Elizabeth Davis, Nancy Jones & Sally Cocke

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In the following manner that is to say as
the slaves which I possess have been mostly
raised and brought up by myself and to
whom I am attached from long and personal
guidance and direction
I wish them not sold out of the family or
owned by any but my sons who bear my name
and therefore direct that their intrinsic
value with their increase be ascertain ed
[by] three judicious and discreet men chosen by
a majority of all my children or their legal
representatives that may attend for that
purpose they and each of them having six mon
ths previous notice thereof and after such
alotment or division of my slaves amongst my
sons or their legal representatives my afsd
three daughters Elizabeth Davis, Nancy Jones
& Sally Cocke to receive their afsd equal share
& proportion of their value in money also
the other remaining personal estate after
the death of my beloved wife to bee equally
divided amongst all my children male or
female or their legal representatives share
& share alike & if my said children or their
legal representatives should not agree
to the mode or manner of specifically dividing

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The said property then it shall be sold by
my executors for cash or credit and the money

equally divided as aforesaid

Item

If the whole or majority of children or legatees should think it expedient they may assign unto my beloved wife any one of my negroes to be disposed of at her death as she may think proper and it is my further will and desire that the whole of the estate both real and personal which I have lent unto my beloved wife for her comfortable support and maintenance during her natural life shall be under the guidance management & direction of my executors but so as to not abridge impair or lessen her future use and enjoyment of the profits

Item

I desire that each of my children or legatees at the final distribution of my Estate pay to my son Nathan Crawford five pounds in money as some compensation to him for not receiving all that assistance support in

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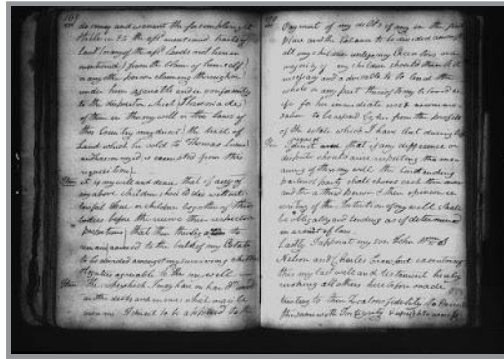
setting out in life in a remote and distant country which my other children may have [received] I also remit to him the increase of the money which he owed me until the same be paid

Item

Whereas I have my son JOhn's bond in the penalty of ten thousand pounds to make me a fee simple right and title to all the lands which he located or surveyed in his own name for me on the western waters and State of Kentucky and whereas I have by this my will bequeathed unto my sons Nathan Reuben and David Crawford part of the afsd lands as herein before mentioned particularly described and dis[egorated] land have also given unto my three daughters Elizabeth Jones Mary Jones & Sally Cocke one other tract of the sd land containing one thousand acres be the same more or less to be equally divided among them or their legal representatives which said land and gift Thereby ratify and confirm to them their heirs and assigns for ever [?] will & direction that my said son John

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do convey and warrant the fee simple right
& title in & to aforesaid mentioned tracts of
land (or any of the aforesaid lands not here in
mentioned) from the claim of himself
or any other person claiming through or
under him agreeable and in conformity
to the disposition which I have made
of them in this my will or the laws of
this country may direct the tract of
land which he sold to Thomas [Luens]
and has conveyed is exempted from this
requisition

Item

It is my will and desire that if any of
my above children should die without
lawful issue or children begotten of their
bodies before the receive their respective
proportions that then the legacies to
remain annexed to the bulk of my estate
to be divided amongst my surviving children
& legatees agreeable to this my will

Item

The crops which I may have on hand unsold
and the debts and monies which may be
own me I direct to be applied to the

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payment of my debts if any in the first
place and the balance to be divided amongst
all my children unless my executors or a
majority of my children should think it
necessary and advisable to to lend the
whole or any part thereof to my beloved w
ife for her immediate use & accommo
dation to be repaid by her from the profits
of the estate which I have lent during life

Item

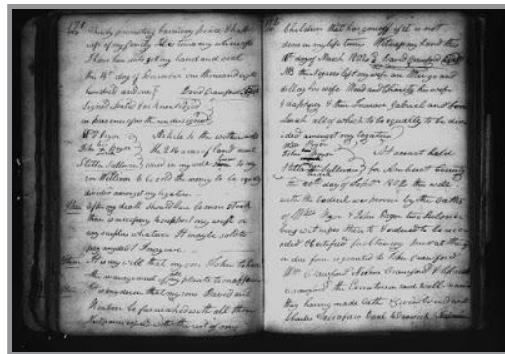
I request & direct that if any difference or
dispute should arise respecting the me
aning of this my will the bond ending

parties or party shall choose each then man
and the a third person & their opinion in
writing of the intention of my will shall
be obligatory and binding as if determined
in a court of law

Lastly

I appoint my son John Wm B
Nelson and Charles Crawford executors of
this my last will and testament hereby
revoking all others heretofore made
trusting to their zealous fidelity to execute
the same with integrity & upright to [usness]

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Thereby promoting harmony peace & happi
ness of my family It is times my whereof
I have here unto set my hand and seal
this 14th day of December one thousand eight
hundred and one

David Crawford

Signed Sealed & acknowledged
in presence of use the undersigned

Wm Pryor

John (his mark) Pryor

Stetta Sullivan

Article to the within will the 216 acres of lane ment
ioned in my will given to my
son William to be sold the money to be equally
divided amongst my legatees

Item

After my death should there be more stock
than is necessary to support my wife or
any surplus whatever it may be sold to
pay any debt I may owe

Item

It is my will that my son John to have
the management of all my plantation affairs

Item

*It is my desire that my sons David and
Reuben be furnished with all those
Necessaries equal with the rest of my*

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*children that has gone off if it is not
done in my lifetime*

Witness my hand this

14 day of march 1802

David Crawford

WB the negroes left my wife are Mirgo and

Dillay his wife Nead and Charity his wife

& Daphney & their increase Gabriel and

Sarah all of which to be equally div

ided amongst my legatees

Wm Pryor

John Pryor

Stella (her mark) Sullivan

At a court held for Amherst County

the 20th day of Sept 1802 this will

with the codicil was proven by the oaths

of Wm Pryor and John Pryor two subscri

bing witnesses thereto & ordered to be reco

rded & certified for obtaining prove at there

in due form is granted to john Crawford

Wm Crawford Nelson Crawford 7 Charles

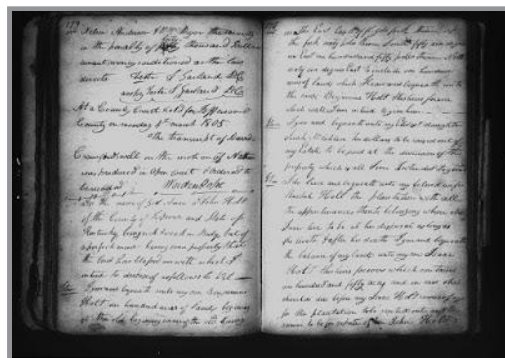
Crawford the executors in said will named

they having made oath & given bond with

Charles Taliafarro Danl Wanwich

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*Nelson Anderson & Wm Pryor the security
in the penalty of forty thousand dollars
amount money conditioned as the law
directs*

Test L Garland D.C.

A copy Test L garland D C

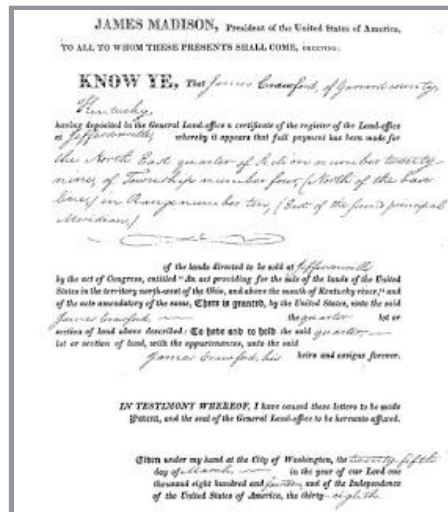
At a County Court held for Jefferson

*County on Monday 4th March 1805
The transcript of David
Crawfords will on the motion of Nathan
was produced in open court & ordered to
be recorded
Worden Cope*

Moving to Indiana

Thursday, May 02, 2019

One of the challenges in genealogy is proving that a person in one location is the same person in another place and time. I often turn to land records to help make that connection. Thus, finding a land patent for Indiana land indicating that James Crawford came from Garrard County, Kentucky is 'genealogy gold'.



United States Bureau of Land Management, "General Land Office Records," database with images, BLM.Gov (<http://glorerecords.blm.gov> : viewed online April 2019), James Crawford.

Exc & sent, May 5, 1814

James Madison, President of the United States of America

TO all to whom these presents shall come, Greeting:

Know ye, that James Crawford, of Garrard County, Kentucky having deposited in the General Land-office a certificate of the register of the land-office at Jeffersonville, whereby it appears that full payment has been made for the North East quarter of Section number twenty-nine, of Township number four (North of the base line,) in Range number ten (East of the second principal Meridian,)

of the lands to be sold at Jeffersonville

by the act of Congress, Entitled "An act providing for the sale of the lands of the United States in the territory north-west of the Ohio, and above the mouth of Kentucky river," and the acts amendatory of the same, There is granted, by the United States, unto the said James Crawford the quarter lot or

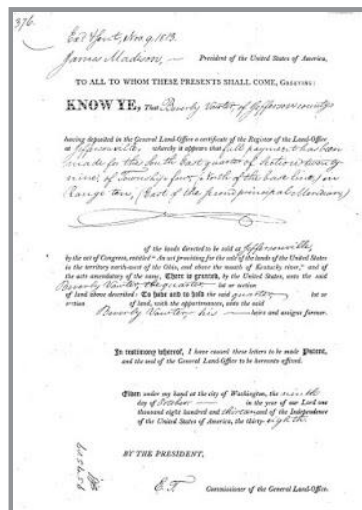
section of land above, described: To have and to hold the said quarter lot or section of land, with the appurtenances, unto the said James Crawford, his heirs and assigns forever.

In Testimony whereof, I have caused these letters to be made Patent, and the seal of the General Land Office to be hereunto affixed.

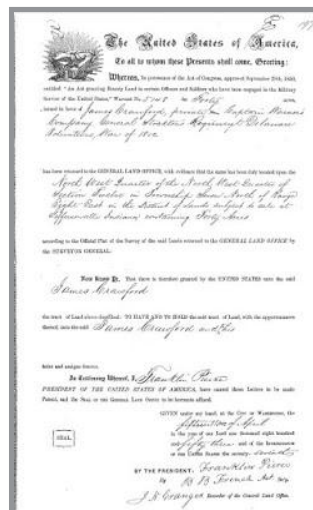
Given under my hand at the city of Washington, the twenty-fifth day of March in the year of our Lord one

thousand eight hundred and fourteen, and of the Independence
of the United States of America, the thirty-eighth.
By the President

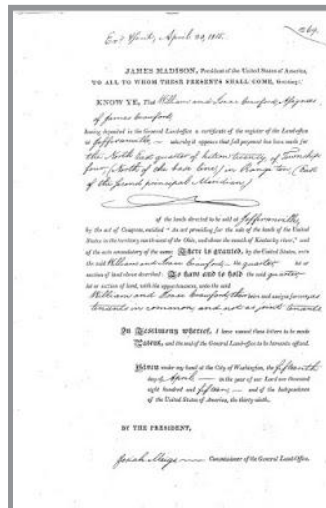
Finding James Crawford's land patent caused me to search for similar records for each of his children. Additional research is needed to make sure these patents are for his sons or sons-in-law, but I have found possibilities for most of the family. Beverly Vawter, husband of Elizabeth Crawford, received a patent in 1813 for land in Jefferson County.



A James Crawford received a patent in 1815 for land in Jennings County, Indiana. According to the patent, James Crawford was a private in Captain Warner's Company, General Stockton's Regiment of Delaware Volunteers, War of 1812. This might be James M. Crawford, son of James and Rebecca.



Isaac Crawford received a patent in 1815 for land in Jefferson County, Indiana.



William Crawford along with Isaac Crawford received a patent in 1815 as assignees of James Crawford for land in Jefferson County, Indiana.



William Brown Guthrie, husband of Mary Polly Crawford, received a patent in 1825 for land in Jefferson County, Indiana.

Saturday Night Genealogy Fun

Sunday, May 05, 2019



For this week's mission (should you decide to accept it), answer the question:

1) It's story time – tell us how you met your spouse or significant other. If you don't have one, tell us about how your parents met each other.

It's the spring of 1971 and I'm a freshman at Kansas State Teachers College in Emporia. I've just started my new job as an assistant in the chemistry department. I worked two afternoons a week – Tuesdays and Thursday – in the storeroom. It was my job to check out and then check in glassware, thermometers and other supplies to the chemistry students. Most of my 'customers' were in Chemistry I or II students. Since dress codes for my sorority were still enforce, I was not only one of the few females working in the department, but I was the only one in a skirt.

Even though my husband and I met that semester, I don't remember him. He was just another student at the storeroom door requesting equipment. It was during our sophomore year that Mike and I 'met' again as we were in Quantitative Chemical Analysis together. Not only did we study together, but we were both working as lab assistants in the chemistry department.

During our junior year, we were again in class together. This time, it was Modern Physics. Not only were we study partners, but we were seriously dating, becoming engaged in February of that year.

We were married the day after graduation. We started our married life as chemistry and physics teachers. Mike was hired by USD 442 to teach science at Nemaha Valley High School in April of our senior year — a month before our wedding. In June, I was hired by USD 380 to teach science for Centralia and Frankfort High Schools. Two years later, I resigned my job with USD 380 and began teaching biology at Nemaha Valley High School.

In 2016, we both retired from teaching after 42 years in the profession. For Mike, all of those years were spent at 214 N. 11th St, Seneca (Nemaha Valley and then Nemaha

Central High Schools). The 2015-2016 school year was my 40th year in the building.

Later this month, we will celebrate our 45th wedding anniversary.



Crawford Will – Warren County, Indiana

Monday, May 06, 2019

Warren County, Indiana
Will Books

Found on Ancestry

Indiana Wills and Probate Records, 1798-1999

Warren > Will Records, Vol 1-3, 1830-1883; Will records, Vol 4, 1884-1895

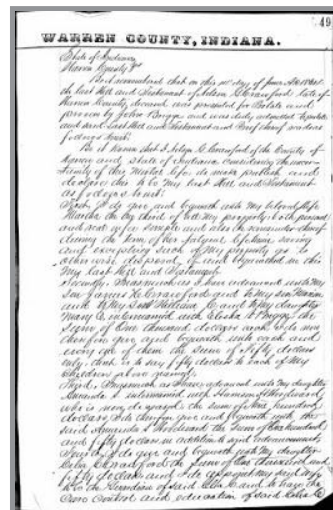
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State of Indiana

Warren County, ss

Be it remembered that on this 14' day of June AD 1864

the last will and Testament of Nelsen G Crawford late of

Warren County, deceased, was presented for Probate and proven by John Briggs, and was duly admitted to probate and said last will and Testament and Proof thereof reads as follows to wit

Be It known that I Nelson G Crawford of the County of Warren and state of Indiana considering the uncertainty of this mortal life do make publish and declare this to be my last Will and Testament as follows to wit:

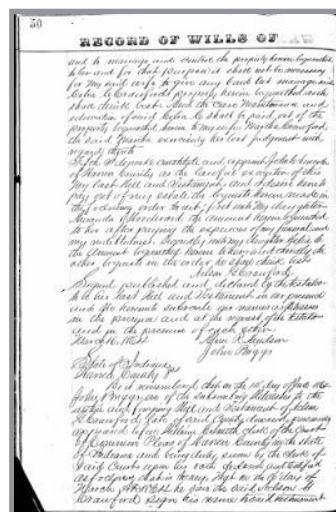
First, I do give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Martha the one third of all my property, both personal and real in fee simple and also the remainder thereof

during the term of her natural lifetime, saving and excepting such of my property as is otherwise disposed of and bequeathed in this my last will and testament

Secondly, In as much as I have advanced unto my son James H Crawford and to my son Marion and to my son William C and to my daughter Mary E intermarried with Elisha V Briggs, the sum of one thousand dollars each, I do now thenceforth give and bequeath unto each and every one of them the sum of fifty dollars only, that is to say fifty dollars to each of my children above named,

Third, In as much as I have advanced unto my daughter Amanda S intermarried with Harrison H Woodward who is now deceased, the sum of nine hundred dollars I do therefor give and bequeath with the said Amanda S Woodward the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars in addition to said advancement, Fourth I do give and bequeath unto my daughter Celia C Crawford the sum of one thousand and fifty dollars and I do appoint my said wife to be the guardian of said Celia C and to have the care control and education of said Celia C

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and to marriage and control the property herin bequeathed to her and for that purpose it shall not be necessary for my said wife to give any bond bur marriage said Celia C Crawford property herin bequeathed as she shall think best. And the care maintenance and education of said Celia C shall be paid out of the property bequeathed herein to my wife, Martha Crawford the said Martha exercising her best judgment with

regard thence

Fifth, I do make constitute and appointing John C Lincoln
of Warren County as the lawful executor of this
my last will and testament and I desire him to
pay out of my estate the bequests herein made in
the following order to with: first unto my daughter
Amanda S Woodward the amount herein bequeathed
to her after paying the expences of my funeral and
my indebtedness. secondly unto my daughter Celia C
the amount bequeathed herein to her, and thirdly the
other bequests in the oder he shall think best

Nelson G Crawford

Signed published and declared by the testator
to be his last will and testament in our presence
and we hereunto subscribe our names as witnesses
in the presence and at the request of the testator
and in the presence of each other

March 16, 1864

[Clive] R [Hudson]

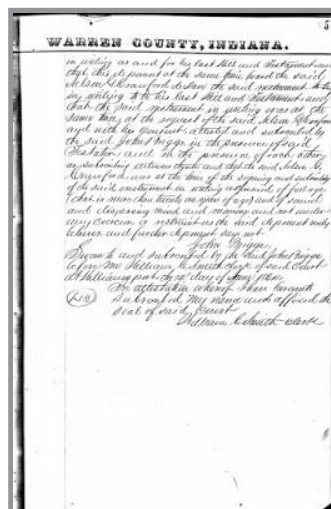
John Briggs

State of Indiana

Warren County

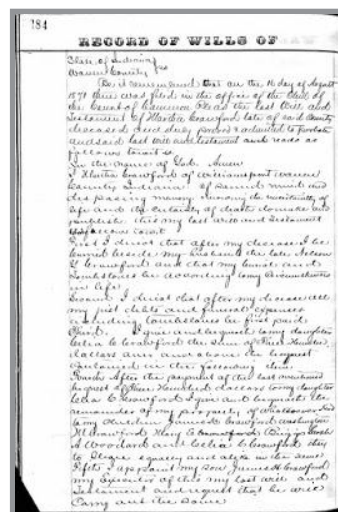
Be it remembered that on the 14 day of June 1864
John Briggs one of the subscribing witnesses to the
within and foregoing will and testament of Nelson
G Crawford late of said county deceased personally
appeared before William C Smith clerk of the Court
of Common Please of Warren County in the state
of Indiana and being duly sworn by the clerk of
said court upon his oath declared and testified
as follows that is to say that on the 16 day of
March AD 1864 he saw the said Nelson G
Crawford sign his name to said instrument

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in writing as and for his last will and testament and that this deponent at the same time heard the said Nelson G Crawford declare the said instrument to be in writing to be his last will and testament and that the said instrument in writing was at the same time at the request of the said Nelson G Crawford and with his consent attested and subscribed by the said John Briggs in the presence of said Testator and in the presence of each other as subscribing witnesses [thence] and that the said Nelson G Crawford was at the time of the signing and subscribing of the said instrument in writing aforesaid and of full age (that is more than twenty one years of age) and of sound and disposing mind and memory and not under any coercion or restraint as the said deponent verily believes and further [deponest] says not John Briggs Sworn and subscribed by the said John Briggs before me William C Smith clerk of said court at Williamsport the 14 day of June 1864 In attestation whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed the seal of said Court William C Smith

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State of Indiana
Warren County
Be it remembered that on the 16 day of August 1871 there was filed in the office of the clerk of the Court of Common Pleas the last will and Testament of Martha Crawford late of said county deceased and duly proved & admitted to probate and said last will and testament reads as

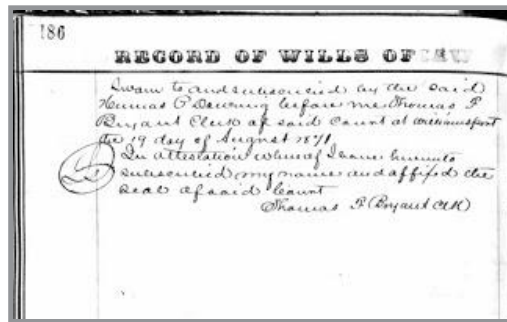
follows to wit
 In the name of God Amen
 I Martha Crawford of Williamsport Warren
 County, Indiana of sound mind and
 desposing memory knowing the uncertainty of
 life and the certainty of death do make and
 publish this my last will and testament
 as follows to wit
 First I direct that after my decease I be
 buried beside my husband the late Nelson
 G Crawford and that my burial and
 tombstones be according to my circumstances
 in life
 Second I direct that after my decease all
 my just debts and funeral expenses
 including tombstones be first paid
 Third I give and bequeath to my daughter
 Celia C Crawford the sum of three hundred
 dollars over and above the bequest
 contained in the following items
 Fourth after the payment of the last mentioned
 bequest of three hundred dollars to my daughter
 Celia C Crawford I give and bequeath the
 remainder of my property of whatsoever kind
 to my children James H Crawford Washington
 M Crawford Mary E Briggs Sara
 A Woodward and Celia C Crawford they
 to [have] equally and alike in the same
 Fifth I appoint my son James H Crawford
 my executor of this my last will and
 testament and request that he will
 carry out the same

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witness my hand & seal this 13 day of
September AD 1869
Martha Crawford (seal)
Jas H Bonebrake
H P Downing
State of Indiana
Warren County
Be it remembered that on the 19th
day of August 1871 [Hannas] P Downing one of the
subscribing witnesses to the within and foregoing
last will and testament of Martha Crawford late
of said county deceased personally
appeared before Thomas F Bryant Clerk of
the Court of Common Pleas of Warren County
in the state of Indiana and being
duly sworn by the clerk of said court upon
his oath declared and testified as follows
that is to say: that on the 13 day of September
1869 he saw the said Martha Crawford sign
her name to said instrument in writing as and
for her last will and testament and that
[this] deponent at the same time heard
the said Martha Crawford declare the said
instrument to be her last will and testament
and that said instrument in writing was
as the same time at the request of the said
Martha Crawford and with her consent attested
and subscribed by the said Jame S Bonebrake
& Hermas P Downing in the presence of said
testator and in the presence of each
other as subscribing witnesses thereto
and that the said Martha Crawford was
at the time of the signing and subscribing
of the said instrument in writing as aforesaid
of free age (that is more than twenty one
years of age) and of sound and disposing
mind and memory and not under any
coercion or restraint as the said deponent
verily believes and further deponent says not
H. P. Downing

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sworn to and subscribed by the said
Hermas P Downing before me Thomas F
Bryant Clerk of said court at Williamsport
the 19 day of August 1871
In attestation whereof I have hereunto
subscribed my name and affixed the
seal of said court
Thomas F Bryant clk

Crawford ThruLines Question

Tuesday, May 14, 2019

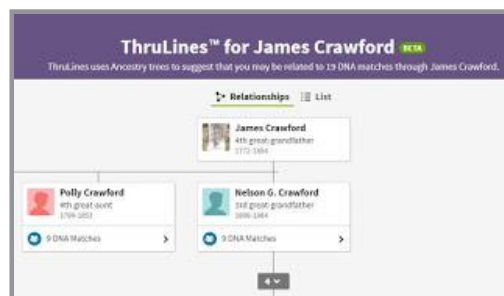
I like Ancestry's new ThruLines feature!

Unfortunately, it is pointing out one of my frustrations with my DNA results. I have several verified second and third cousin DNA matches on my Crawford line but we never got a DNA circle for my 3rd great grandfather, Nelson G. Crawford. When Ancestry released ThruLines, I was hoping to locate some fourth cousins thru one of Nelson's other children.

However, the ThruLines for Nelson G Crawford only includes DNA matches going thru my 2nd great grandfather, Washington Marion Crawford. It does not include any lines going thru the siblings of Washington Marion Crawford.



When I looked at the ThruLines for my 4th great-grandfather, James Crawford, matches are shown for descendants of Nelson's sister, Polly Crawford and for all of the matches thru my 2nd great-grandfather, Washington Marion Crawford.



Since Washington Marion Crawford had five siblings that lived to adulthood and had families, I expected to find ThruLines thru at least some of those siblings. Thus, I am wondering why ThruLines hasn't helped identify any fourth cousin Crawford matches.

I have several theories:

- My fourth cousin descendants of Nelson G. Crawford haven't done a DNA test thru Ancestry
- These 4th cousins have done a DNA test but either don't have a tree or haven't connected their DNA test to their tree.

- The trees for my 4th cousins Crawford matches don't go back far enough to connect to my research — in other words, I haven't done enough descendancy research
- Nelson's middle name is different on various trees causing trees to not 'match'
- My tree is wrong

I'm hoping that I have enough evidence to disprove the theory of an incorrect tree. But, I will continue my search for documentation of Nelson G. Crawford and his family.

To help other researchers, I have researched many of Nelson G. Crawford's descendants. My information regarding Nelson can be found

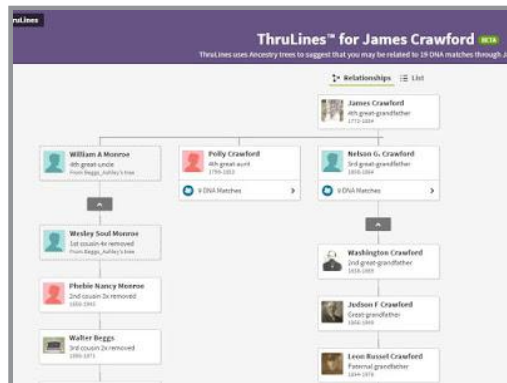
- on my Ancestry 'Heartland Genealogy' tree
- in my online copy of my RootsMagic data
- in a 4 generation descendancy report for Nelson G. Crawford

If you are a Crawford researcher with family in Preble County, Ohio, Warren County, Indiana or Ford County, Kansas, please contact me. I would love to see how our research might connect!

ThruLines Issue – Can I Resolve It?

Wednesday, May 15, 2019

While trying to figure out why I can't find 4th cousin matches for descendants of Nelson G. Crawford, I ran across my first obviously incorrect ThruLines screen. One of my known third cousin once removed showed up on the ThruLines for my 4th great-grandfather, James Crawford thru the Walter Beggs and the Monroe line.



Instead of matching thru Walter Beggs and the Monroe line, our common ancestor is thru Ethel Anita Lighter and the Lida A Crawford line.

The screenshot shows a family tree record for Ethel Anita Lighter. The record includes the following information:

Relationship	Name	Birth Date	Birth Place	Death Date	Death Place	Relationship
Children	Supreme Beggs	21 Feb 1903	Ford, Ford, Kansas, United States	8 Aug 1999	Gray, Kansas, United States, birth	

Below the table, there is a section for "Ethel Anita Lighter" with the following details:

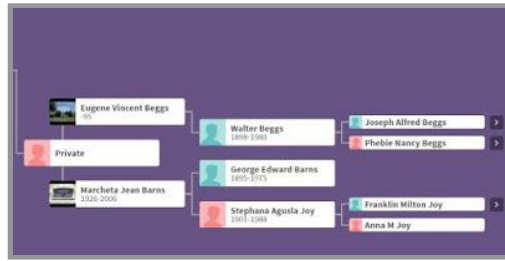
Relationship	Name	Birth Date	Birth Place	Death Date	Death Place	Relationship
Children	Supreme Beggs	21 Feb 1903	Ford, Ford, Kansas, United States	8 Aug 1999	Gray, Kansas, United States, birth	

I found this odd since other close relatives of this match show up on the ThruLines for my 2nd Great Grandfather Washington Marion Crawford.



When I looked at my match's tree, it was obvious why ThruLines was confused

- we are a close DNA match
- shared matches suggest a match on my Crawford line
- my match's tree doesn't contain any names lining up with Crawford ancestry



Thus, the computer guessed. Unfortunately, the computer needs some more information so it can 'guess' correctly. Thus, I'm going to message my match and see if she would be willing to add a mother for Eugene Beggs to her tree. Then it will become a waiting game to see if the ThruLines change.

How Many DNA ThruLines

Friday, May 17, 2019

Recently, Randy Seaver posted about the number of DNA ThruLines he had for each ancestor. Curious, I decided to check out my own ThruLines to see how many I have for each ancestor.

How Many DNA ThruLines do I have for each ancestor?



Grandparents:

- Leon Russel Crawford / Winnie Letha Currey – 2
- Edward Osmond Briles / Pauline Edith Mentzer – 7

Great Grandparents

- Judson Foster Crawford / Josie Winifred Hammond – 5
- Hiram Miles Currey / Winnie Mae Hutchinson – 3
- Edward Grant Briles / Frances Artliss 'Artie' Ricketts – 7
- Charles Oliver Mentzer / Nettie Adell Wells – 8

2nd Great Grandparents

- Washington Marion Crawford / Mary Foster – 9
- Richmond Fisk Hammond / Sarah Ellen Ralston – 8
- Hiram M. Currey / Angelina Jane Burke – 4
- Albert Hutchinson / Julia Harding – 25
- Noah Washington Briles / Sarah Jane Thompson – 9
- James Marshall Ricketts / Rachel Elmeda Christy – 8
- George Mentzer / Emeline Minnick – 12
- Thurston Kennedy Wells / Salome Adell Crandall – 15

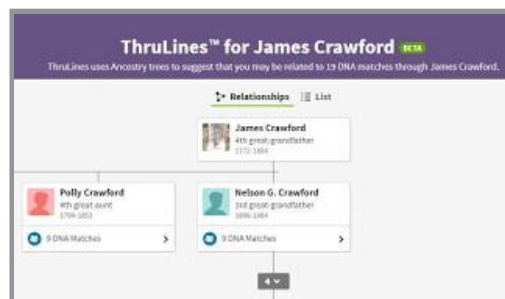
3rd Great Grandparents

- Nelson G. Crawford / Martha Smith – 9
- Zebulon Foster / Caroline Ostrander – 13
- Horatio Hammond / Louisa Fisk – 13
- James Barr Ralston / Nancy Jane McCormick – 23
- Hiram M. Currey / Rachel Harris – 13
- Henry F. Burke / Elizabeth Ann Bland – 4
- Aaron Hutchinson / Sarah Merry – 24
- William Gillies Harding / Elizabeth Fowler – 43
- Alexander Briles / Sarah Rush – 14

- William Taylor Thompson / Polly Ann Evans – 10
- John Lewis Ricketts / Orilda Matilda Reed – 10
- Samuel Christy / Lyda Gallmore – 14
- Phillip Andrew Mentzer / Orinda Miles – 18
- John Minnick / Elizabeth Mary Jones – 15
- Ozias Wells / Mary Kennedy – 25
- Lewis Crandall / Almira Nafus – 15

4th Great Grandparents

- James Crawford / Sarah Smith – 19
- Richard Foster / Rachel Browning – 39
- Edward Ostrander / Margaret _____ – 25
- Jason Hammond / Rachel Hale – 16
- Jonathan Fisk / Mary Arnold – 13
- David Franklin Ralston / Hannah Barr – 34
- James B. McCormick / Sarah Hall – 5
- Hiram Mirick Currey / Sarah _____ – 18
- Peter Harris / Rachel VanArsdale – 13
- John Burke / Elizabeth Graves – 37
- Eli Bland / Sarah Anderson – 6
- Aaron Hutchinson / Hannah Nettleton – 21
- Whiting G Merry / Elizabeth Peabody – 22
- William Harding / Elizabeth Flewelling – 50
- Thomas Fowler – 36
- John Briles / Nancy Ann Beckerdite – 103
- Noah Rush / Sarah Clark – 55
- John Thompson / Sarah Iglehart – 11
- James Evans / Sarah Garret – 13
- Edward Ricketts / Sarah Story – 9
- John C. Reed / Mary Buckles – 32
- Ebenezer Christy / Rachel _____ – 23
- Isom Gallimore / Judith Bentley – 17
- Phillip Andre Mentzer / Isabella Motes- 16
- Oliver Miles / Sarah Joslin – 21
- Green Wells / Abigail White – 30
- John Kennedy / Anna _____ – 26
- Hampton Lillibridge Crandall / Freelove Butler – 28
- William C Nafus / Salome Carpenter – 24



100 Years Ago

Monday, May 20, 2019

Your mission, should you decide to accept it (cue the Mission Impossible! music) is to:

- 1) Determine where your ancestral families were on 18 May 1919 – 100 years ago.
- 2) List them, their family members, their birth years, and their residence location (as close as possible). Do you have a photograph of their residence from about that time, and does the residence still exist?

My Grandparents

- Leon Crawford was living with his parents at 504 Ave G in Dodge City
- Winnie Letha Currey was likely living with her sister, Myrtle. Winnie traveled from Kansas City to Dodge City in 1918 to help Myrtle with the birth of her first child, Dorothy. Winnie and Leon were married on Christmas Eve in 1919 at Myrtle's house.
- Edward O. Briles and his wife Pauline (Mentzer) Briles were likely living in Woodson County in 1919. Edward's World War I draft card indicated they were living in Everett Township, Woodson County in June of 1917. By 1920, they had moved to Allen County.

My Great Grandparents

- Judson Foster Crawford and Josie Winifred (Hammond) Crawford were living at 504 Avenue G in Dodge City, Kansas.
- Hiram Miles Currey was living at 4108 Penn Avenue in Kansas City, Missouri. His wife, Winnie May (Hutchinson) Currey, was no longer living.
- Edward Grant Briles and Frances Artlissa (Ricketts) Briles were living in Liberty Township, Woodson County, Kansas
- Charles Oliver Mentzer and Nettie Adell (Wells) Mentzer were living in Everett Township, Woodson County, Kansas.

My Great-great grandparents

- Mary Foster Crawford was living at 911 Second in Dodge City, Kansas. Her husband, Washington Marion Crawford, was no longer living.



- Richmond Fisk Hammond was living in Sawtelle Soldier's Home in Los Angeles, California. His first wife, Sarah Ellen (Ralston) Hammond was no longer living.
- Sarah Jane (Thompson) Briles was living in Neosho Township, Coffey County, Kansas. Her first husband, Noah Washington Briles, was no longer living.

- James Marshall Ricketts and Rachel Elmeda (Christy)Ricketts were living in Liberty Township, Woodson County, Kansas.
- Emeline (Minnick) Mentzer was living in Center Township, Woodson County, Kansas. Her husband, George Mentzer, was no longer living.



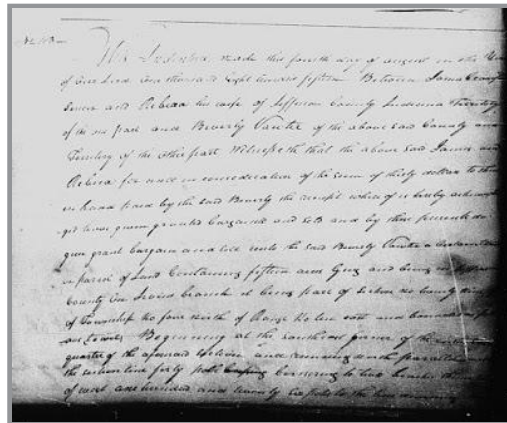
Crawford to Vawter Deed

Tuesday, May 21, 2019

Jefferson County Indiana
Deeds

Deed record V. A (corrected version) Mar. 1812-Aug. 1817
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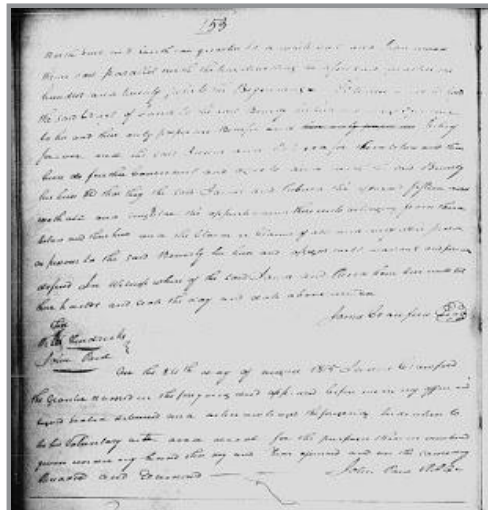
Book A page 152



No 113

*This Indenture made this fourth day of august in the year
of our Lord one thousand eight hundred fifteen between James Crawf[ord]
senior and Rebecca his wife of Jefferson County Indiana Territory
of the one part and Beverly Vawter of the above said County and
Territory of the other part witnesseth that the above said James and
Rebecca for once in consideration of the sum of thirty dollars to them
in hand paid by the said Beverly the receipt whereof is hereby acknowle
ged have given granted bargained and sold and by these presents do
give grant bargain and sell unto the said Beverly Vawter a certain tra[ct]
or parcel of land containing fifteen acres lying and being in Jefferson
County on Irvin's branch of Creek part of section no twenty nine
of township no four north of range no ten east and bounded as foll
ows (to wit) Beginning at the southeast corner of the south[?]
quarter of the aforesaid section and running with parallel [along]
the section line forty poles cornering to two beach [then ?]
of west one hundred and twenty six poles to the line [?]*

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north east and southeast quarter to a white oak and iron wood
thence [east] parallel with the line dividing the aforesaid quarter one
hundred and twenty poles to the beginning — to have and to hold
the said tract of land to the said Beverly his heirs and assigns forever
to his and their only pro[?] benefit and behoof
forever and the said James and Rebecca for themselves and their
heirs doe further covenant and agree to and with the said Beverly
his heirs so that they the said James and Rebecca the aforesaid fifteen acres
with all and singular the appurtenances thereunto belonging from them
selves and their heirs and the claim of claims of all and every other person
or persons to the said Beverly his heir sand assigns will warrant and forever
defend In witness where of the said James and Rebecca have here unto set
their hands and seals the day and date above written.

James Crawford (seal)

Will Tex Hendricks

John Paul

On the 24th day of August 1815 James Crawford
the grantor named in the foregoing deed appeared before me in my office and
signed sealed delivered and acknowledged the foregoing indenture to
be his voluntary act and deed for the purpose there in mentioned
given under my hand this day and year aforesaid and on the same day
recorded and examined John Paul RJC

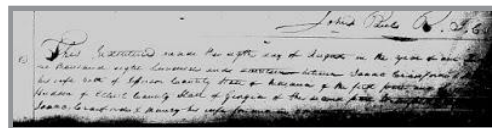
Crawford to Hudson Deed

Thursday, May 23, 2019

Jefferson County, Indiana
Deeds

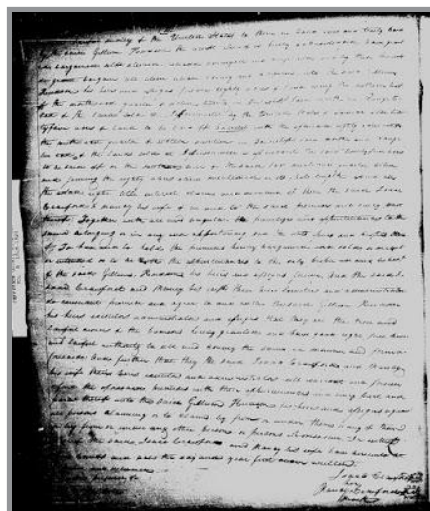
Deed record v. B (corrected version) cont. Aug. 1817-Aug. 1820
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Book B page 11 (image 9)



*This Indenture made this eight day of August in the year of our [Lord]
one thousand eight hundred and seventeen between Isaac Crawford & [Nancy]
his wife both of Jefferson County State of Indiana of the first part and [?]
Hudson of Clark County State of Georgia of the second part [?]
Isaac Crawford & Nancy his wife for and in consideration*

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*[?] lawful money of the United States to them in hand well and truly paid
by the said Gillum Hudson the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged have grant
ed bargained sold aliened released conveyed and [confirms] and by these presents
do grant bargain sell alien release convey and confirm unto the said Gillum
Hudson his heirs and assigns forever eighty acres of land being the northern half
in the northeast quarter of section twenty in township four north in range ten
east of the lands sold at Jeffersonville by the United States of American also twen
ty five acres of land to be laid off [parrelal] with the aforesaid eighty acres out of
the north east quarter of section seventeen in township four north and range
ten east of the lands sold at Jeffersonville as aforesaid the said twenty five acres*

to be laid off on the easter side of the said last mentioned quarter section and joining the eight acres also mentioned in its whole length and all the estate, right title interest claims and demand of them the said Isaac Crawford and Nancy his wife of in and to the said premises and every part thereof Together with all and singular the priveleges and appurtenances to the same belonging or in any wise appertaining and the rents issues and profits[there] first to have and to hold the premises hereby bargained and sold [or meant] or intended to be the appurtenances to the only proper use and behoof of the said Gillum Hudson his heirs and assigns forever and the said Isaac Crawford and Nancy his wife their heirs executors and administrators do covenant promise and agree to and with the said Gillum Hudson his heirs executors administrators and assigns that they are the true and lawful owners of the premises hereby granted and have good right full power and lawful authority to will and convey the same in manner and form aforesaid and further that they the said Isaac Crawford and Nancy his wife their heirs executors and administrators will warrant and forever defend the aforesaid premises with the appurtenances and every part and parcel thereof unto the said Gillum Hudson his heirs and assigns against [any] form or under any other person or persons whomsoever In witness [thereof] the said Isaac Crawford and Nancy his wife have hereunto set [their] hands and seals the day and year first above written.

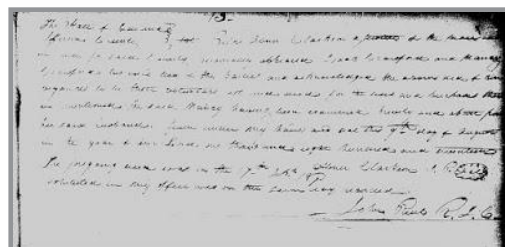
Isaac Crawford (seal_

Nancy (her mark) Crawford (seal)

[signed and acknowledged]

[in the] presence of

[?]



The State of Indiana

Jefferson County

Before Abner Clarkson a justice of the peace

in and for said County personally appeared Isaac Crawford and Nancy Crawford his wife two of the parties and acknowledged the above deed & Conveyance to be their voluntary act and deed for the uses and purpose there in mentioned the said Nancy having been examined freely and apart from her said husband. Given under my name and seal this 9th day of August in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventeen
Abner Clarkson J. P. (seal)

The foregoing deed was on the 17th Sept [18//]

[exhibited] in my office was on the same day recorded.

John Paul RJC

Thomas Crawford Deed

Friday, May 24, 2019

Jefferson County, Indiana
Deeds

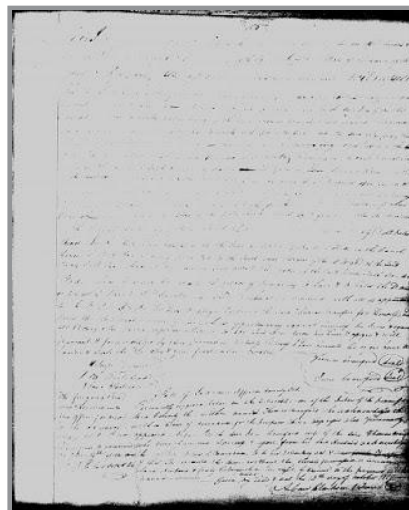
Deed record v. B. (corrected version) cont. Aug. 1817-Aug. 1820
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Top of deed very faded

Deed signed by
Thomas Crawford
Jane Crawford

Possibly dated 14 Oct 1819



Honoring Fallen – Sgt. Ralph Wayne Griffith

Saturday, May 25, 2019

Sgt. Ralph Wayne Griffith

Born: 7 June 1920

Sergeant in the 12th Cavalry during World War II

Ralph Wayne Griffith filled out his "Registration Card" in Wallace County, Kansas. He signed the card, Wayne Griffith.

KILLED IN ACTION - 12/20/44

REGISTRATION CARD

SERIAL NUMBER S-36 NAME (Typed) Ralph Wayne Griffith ORDER NUMBER

2. PLACE OF RESIDENCE (Typed) Speed, Rocks County, Kansas

3. PLACE OF RESIDENCE (Typed) Speed, Rocks County, Kansas

4. MAILING ADDRESS (Typed) Sharon Springs, Wallace County, Kansas

5. CEMETERY (Typed) Sharon Springs, Wallace County, Kansas

6. AGE IN YEARS (Typed) 21

7. PLACE OF BIRTH (Typed) Rocks County, Kansas

8. DATE OF BIRTH (Typed) June 7, 1920

9. EMPLOYER'S NAME AND ADDRESS (Typed) Irvin M. Bricker, Sharon Springs, Kansas

10. PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT OR STUDY (Typed) Sharon Springs, Wallace, Kansas

11. SIGNATURE (Typed) Wayne Griffith

D. S. S. FORM 1 (Revised 1-24-43)

Ralph W. Griffith was killed during the Battle of Leyte (Pacific Theater) on Dec. 21, 1944. He is listed as 'KIA' on the list of casualties for Phillips County, Kansas in the records of the National Archives.

PHILLIPS COUNTY			
ANDES CHARLES D	37340037	TECS	KIA
BROWN DALE W	37708902	PFC	KIA
DAWES GEORGE C	37233724	PFC	FOD
EARLEY EDWARD F	37338401	PFC	DNB
GRIFFITH RALPH W	37015747	SGT	KIA
JENNINGS LAWRENCE E	37141649	S SG	DON
JONES ALDENON C	37220609	PFC	KIA
KEMPER FRANCIS L	37203172	PFC	KIA
MATTHIES WAYNE J	37213374	PFC	KIA
MEKKLEIN PAUL F	37339830	PFC	KIA
MEKKLEIN WALTER J	37203122	PFC	KIA
MILLER ALVIN W	37461834	PFC	KIA
MORGAN LAWRENCE H	37-204713	FL O	KIA
NELSON HILLARD J	37152371	PIVT	KIA
PARKER FLOYD E	37003294	TECS	KIA

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The Manhattan Mercury newspaper of Manhattan, Kansas published casualty lists on a regular basis during the war. Notice of Sgt. Ralph W. Griffith's death appeared in the March 7, 1945 edition of the paper.

Southwest Pacific Area
Sgt. Ralph W. Griffith, Speed;
Pfc. Charles S. Nicholas, Iola;
Pfc. Cecil E. Ward, Paola.

For the military history of the battle, see the Leyte article prepared in the U.S. Army Center of Military History by Charles R. Anderson.

What Is the Crawford / Alexander Link?

Saturday, May 25, 2019

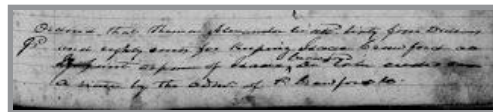
As I was transcribing deeds from Jefferson County, Indiana, I found a connection with a guardian record. In the deed, Isaac Crawford sold land to Thomas Alexander. In the guardian record, Thomas Alexander is reimbursed for expenses as a guardian of an orphan on Isaac Crawford. So, what is the connection between Thomas Alexander and Isaac Crawford?

Jefferson County Indiana
Court Records

image 612 – C Index
Crawford M all to Alexander 085
Crawford M settlement 087
Crawford J all to Alexander 85
Crawford M settlement 87

Probate Order Book v. C, Feb. 1827-June 1830
Family Search Film 1310225 Items 3-5; DGS 7663707

183? – actual date not found



*Ordered that Thomas Alexander be allwd sixty four dollars
and eighty cents for keeping Isaac Crawford an
Infant orphan of Isaac Crawford [Or] take credit on
a note by the adm of P. Crawford [RC]*

Jefferson County Indiana Deeds

Book E page 452 Image 239
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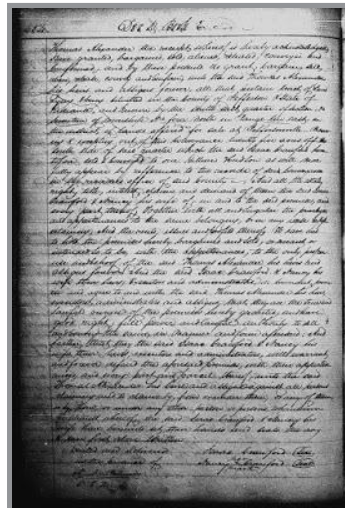
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*This Indenture, made this nineteenth day of November in the year of
our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and twenty two between
Isaac Crawford & Nancy his wife of Jefferson County [and state]*

of Indiana of the first part, and Thomas Alexander of the same County of the second part witnesseth that the said Isaac Crawford & Nancy his wife for and in consideration of the sum of eight hundred dollars lawful money [?] United States to them in hand well and truly paid [?]

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Thomas Alexander the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, have granted, bargained, sold, aliened, released, conveyed and Confirmed, and by these presents do grant, bargain, sell, alien, release, convey and confirm, unto the said Thomas Alexander his heirs and assigns forever, all that certain tract of land lying & being situated in the County of Jefferson & State of Indiana, and known by the south east quarter of section no. seventeen of township no. four north in range ten east in the district of lands offered for sale at Jeffersonville – Reserving & excepting out of this conveyance twenty five acres off the south side of said quarter which the said Isaac Crawford here to fore sold & conveyed to one Gillum Hudson as will more fully appear by reference to the records of said conveyance in the recorders office of said county — And all the estate, right, title, interest, claim and demand of them the said Isaac Crawford & Nancy his wife of, in and to the said premises, and every part thereof, Together with all and singular the priveleges and appertuances to the same belonging or in any wise appertaining and the rents, issues and profits thereof, to have and to hold the premises hereby bargained and sol, or means, or intended so to be, with the appertenances, to the only proper use and behoof of the said Thomas Alexander his heirs and assigns forever and the said Isaac Crawford & Nancy his wife their heirs, executors and administrators, do covenant promise and agree to and with the said Thomas Alexander his heirs, executors, administrators and assigns that they are the true and lawful owners of the premises hereby granted and have

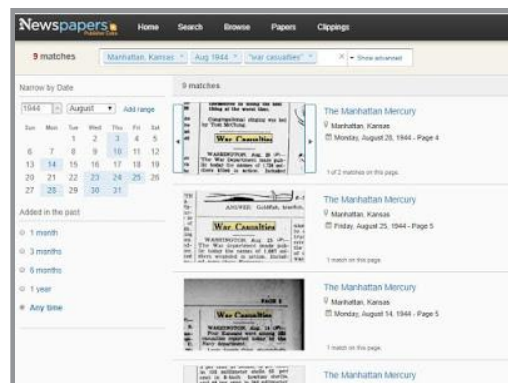
good right full power and lawful authority to all
and convey the same in manner and form aforesaid and
further that they the said Isaac Crawford & Nancy his
wife their heirs executors and administrators, will warrant
and forever defend the aforesaid premises, with their apperten
ances, and every part and parcel thereof unto the said
Thomas Alexander his heirs and assigns against all persons
claiming and claim by, from or under them or any of them
or by from or under any other person or persons who[ud]soever
[be] witness whereof the said Isaac Crawford & Nancy his
wife have hereunto set their hands and seals the day
& man first above written
Isaac Crawford (seal)
Nancy (her mark) Crawford (seal)
Sealed and delivered
in the presence of
[N?] Palmer
O. E. Hough

World War II Casualty Lists

Sunday, May 26, 2019

While trying to find an obituary or notice of death for my husband's relative who died during World War II, I came across a great resource for anyone researching Kansans who served during World War II – particularly those who were injured, captured or killed.

The Manhattan Mercury (Manhattan, Kansas) had a series of articles entitled 'War Casualties' that appeared on a regular basis. The Manhattan Mercury was the only paper that had this type of article. Since Fort Riley is near Manhattan, that may have been a factor in the papers decision to publish this information. This paper is searchable on Newspapers.com.



When searching for the death of a family member, the surname can be added to the search.



The "War Casualties" article in the May 3, 1945 issue of the paper is a great example of the variety of ways this information was reported.

Mr. Cassin

NAME	DATE	PLACE	REMARKS
Mr. Cassin	1850	St. Louis	First visit
Mr. Cassin	1851	St. Louis	Second visit
Mr. Cassin	1852	St. Louis	Third visit
Mr. Cassin	1853	St. Louis	Fourth visit
Mr. Cassin	1854	St. Louis	Fifth visit
Mr. Cassin	1855	St. Louis	Sixth visit
Mr. Cassin	1856	St. Louis	Seventh visit
Mr. Cassin	1857	St. Louis	Eighth visit
Mr. Cassin	1858	St. Louis	Ninth visit
Mr. Cassin	1859	St. Louis	Tenth visit
Mr. Cassin	1860	St. Louis	Eleventh visit
Mr. Cassin	1861	St. Louis	Twelfth visit
Mr. Cassin	1862	St. Louis	Thirteenth visit
Mr. Cassin	1863	St. Louis	Fourteenth visit
Mr. Cassin	1864	St. Louis	Fifteenth visit
Mr. Cassin	1865	St. Louis	Sixteenth visit
Mr. Cassin	1866	St. Louis	Seventeenth visit
Mr. Cassin	1867	St. Louis	Eighteenth visit
Mr. Cassin	1868	St. Louis	Nineteenth visit
Mr. Cassin	1869	St. Louis	Twentieth visit
Mr. Cassin	1870	St. Louis	Twenty-first visit
Mr. Cassin	1871	St. Louis	Twenty-second visit
Mr. Cassin	1872	St. Louis	Twenty-third visit
Mr. Cassin	1873	St. Louis	Twenty-fourth visit
Mr. Cassin	1874	St. Louis	Twenty-fifth visit
Mr. Cassin	1875	St. Louis	Twenty-sixth visit
Mr. Cassin	1876	St. Louis	Twenty-seventh visit
Mr. Cassin	1877	St. Louis	Twenty-eighth visit
Mr. Cassin	1878	St. Louis	Twenty-ninth visit
Mr. Cassin	1879	St. Louis	Thirtieth visit
Mr. Cassin	1880	St. Louis	Thirty-first visit
Mr. Cassin	1881	St. Louis	Thirty-second visit
Mr. Cassin	1882	St. Louis	Thirty-third visit
Mr. Cassin	1883	St. Louis	Thirty-fourth visit
Mr. Cassin	1884	St. Louis	Thirty-fifth visit
Mr. Cassin	1885	St. Louis	Thirty-sixth visit
Mr. Cassin	1886	St. Louis	Thirty-seventh visit
Mr. Cassin	1887	St. Louis	Thirty-eighth visit
Mr. Cassin	1888	St. Louis	Thirty-ninth visit
Mr. Cassin	1889	St. Louis	Fortieth visit
Mr. Cassin	1890	St. Louis	Forty-first visit
Mr. Cassin	1891	St. Louis	Forty-second visit
Mr. Cassin	1892	St. Louis	Forty-third visit
Mr. Cassin	1893	St. Louis	Forty-fourth visit
Mr. Cassin	1894	St. Louis	Forty-fifth visit
Mr. Cassin	1895	St. Louis	Forty-sixth visit
Mr. Cassin	1896	St. Louis	Forty-seventh visit
Mr. Cassin	1897	St. Louis	Forty-eighth visit
Mr. Cassin	1898	St. Louis	Forty-ninth visit
Mr. Cassin	1899	St. Louis	Fiftieth visit

James Crawford Deed to Son James M. Crawford

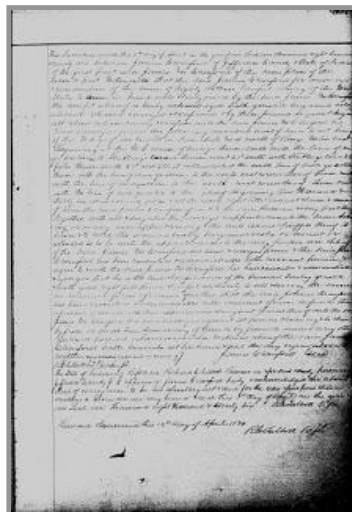
Monday, May 27, 2019

Jefferson County Indiana

Deed Books

Book D page 307 (images 158)

Family Search Film #1310268 DGS 8059613



This Indenture made this 7th day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred

twenty six between James Crawford of Jefferson County & State of Indiana of the first part and James M Crawford of the same place of the

*second part witnesseth that the said James Crawford for and in consideration of the sum of **eighty dollars** lawful money of the United States to him in hand well truly paid by the said James M Crawford*

the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged hath granted bargained sold aliened released conveyed & confirmed by these presents do grant bargain sell alien release convey & confirm unto the said James M Crawford his heirs & assigns forever the following described tract of land to wit being

*of the **NE qr of section 29 in township no 4 north of range no ten east Beginning at the N E corner of said qr thence south with the line of [?] qr sections to Stribling's corner thence west 67 degrees south with Striblings line 322 poles thence south 67 degrees west till it will intersect the south line of said qr section thence with the line of said qr section to the north west corner thereof thence east with the line of said quarter to the place of beginning one hundred &***

thirty six acres & ninety poles & all the estate right title interest claim & [domain] of [?] the said James Crawford of in & to the said premises & every part ther[eof]

Together with all & singular the priveleges & appurtenances to the same [belong] ing or in any wise appertaining & the rents issues proffits thereof to have & to hold the premises hereby bargained & sold or meant or intended is to be with the appurtenances to the only proper use & behoof of the said James M Crawford his heirs & assigns forever & the said James

Crawford his heirs executors & administrators with doth covenant promise & agree to & with the said James M Crawford his heirs & executors & administrators & assigns that he is the true & lawful owner of the premisses hereby granted & hath good right full power & lawful authority to sell & convey the same in manner form aforesaid further that the said James Crawford his heirs executors & administrators will warrant & forever defend this aforesaid premises with their appurtenances & every part & parcel there of unto the said James M Crawford his heirs & assigns against all persons claiming & to claim by from or under him them or any of them or by from or [man] any [?] person or persons whomsoever. In witness whereof the said James Crawford hath hereunto set his hand & seal the day & year above written

James Crawford (seal)

Signed sealed & delivered in the presence of

R C Talbott L Burber Jr

The State of Indiana

Jefferson County

Before me Richard C Talbott Recorder in and for said county personally

appeared James Crawford party & acknowledge the above

deed of conveyance to be his voluntary act & deed for the uses + purposes therein mentioned & given under my hand & seal this 7th day of April in the year of

our Lord one Thousand eight Hundred & twenty six. R C Talbot RJC

Recorded & Examined this 12th day of April 1826

R C Talbott RJC

John Anderson Deed

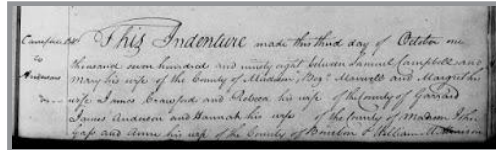
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Madison County Kentucky

Deed Book D

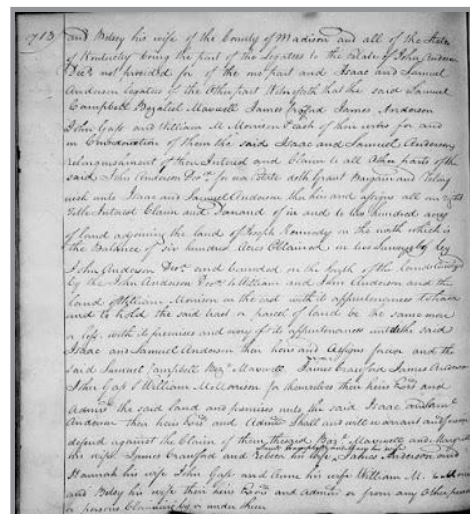
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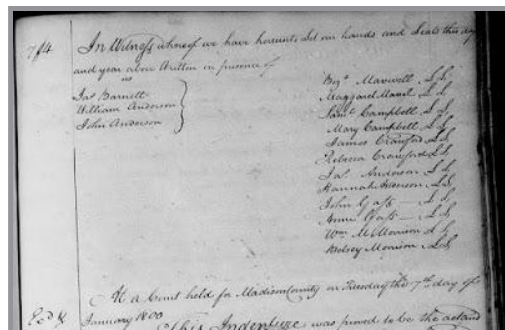
This indenture made this third day of October one thousand seven hundred and ninety eight between Samuel Campbell and Mary his wife of the County of Madison, Bez' I Maxwell and Margret his wife, James Crawford and Rebeca his wife of the County of Garrard, James Anderson and Hannah his wife of the county of Madison, John Gap and Anne his wife of the County of Bourbon and William M. Morrison

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and Betsey his wife of the County of Madison and all of the State of Kentucky being the part of the legatees to the estate of John Anderson Dec'd not provided for of the one part and Isaac and Samuel Anderson legatees of the other part witnesseth that the said Samuel Campbell, Bezabel Max well, J ames Crawford, James Anderson, John Gaps and William M. Morrison and each of their wives for and in consideration of them the said Isaac and Samuel Anderson relinquishment of their interest and claim to all other parts of the said John Anderson Dec'd forever estate doth grant bargain and telling wish unto Isaac and Samuel Anderson the heirs and assigns all am right title interest claim and demand of in and to two hundred acres of land adjoining the land of Joseph Kennedy on the north which is the balance of six hundred acres obtained in two surveys by John Anderson Dec'd and bounded on the south of the lands conveyed by the John Anderson

Dec'd to William and John Anderson and the land William Morrison on the east with its appurtenances to have and to hold the said land or parcel of land be the same more or less with its premises and every of its appurtenances until the said Isaac and Samuel Anderson the i r heirs and assigns forever and the said Samuel Campbell, Bez'l Maxwell, James Crawford, James Anderson, John Gap and William M. Morrison for themselves their heirs executors and administrators the said land and premises unto the said Isaac and Samuel Anderson their heirs, executors and administrators shall and will warrant and forever defend against the claim of them the said Baz'l Maxwell and Margret his wife, James Crawford and Rebeca his wife , Saml Campbell and Mary his wife, James Anderson and Hannah his wife John Gaps and Anne his wife William M. Morrison and Betsy his wife their heirs, executors, and administrators or from any other person or persons claiming by or under them.



In witness whereof we have hereunto set our hands and seals this day and year above written in presence of Jas Barnett, William Anderson, John Anderson.

Bez'l Maxwell
 Margaret Maxwell
 Saml Campbell
 Mary Campbell
 James Crawford
 Rebecca Crawford
 Jas Anderson
 Hannah Anderson
 John Gass
 Anne Gass
 Wm. M. Morrison
 Betsey Morrison

Kennedy to Crawford Deed

Wednesday, May 29, 2019

Deed-KY-Lincoln-Crawford-Kennedy

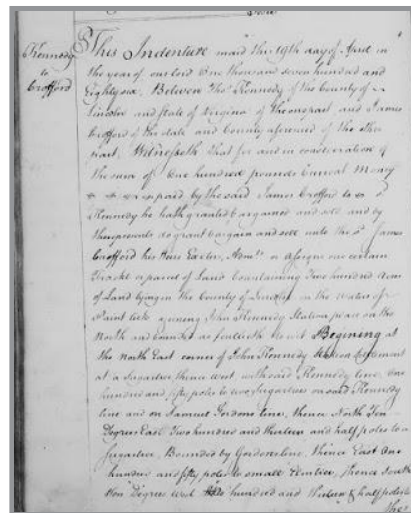
Lincoln County Kentucky

Deed Book A

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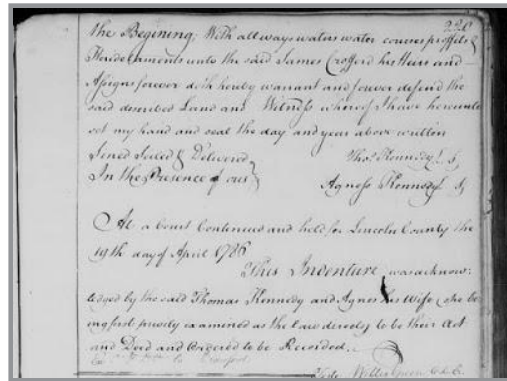
Kennedy to Crofford



This Indenture maid this 19th day of April in the year of our lord one thousand seven hundred and eight six between Thos Kennedy of the county of Lincoln and State of Virginia of the one part and James Crofford of the state and county aforesaid of the other

part Witnesseth that for and in consideration of the sum of one hundred pounds current money paid by the said James Crofford to sd Kennedy he hath granted bargained and sold and by these presents do grant bargain and sell unto the sd James Crofford his heirs exceters admrs or assigns one certain trackt or parcel of land containing two hundred acres of land lying in the county of Lincoln on the waters of Paint lick adjoining John Kennedy Station place on the north and bounded as foullieth to wit beginning at the north east corner of John Kennedy station settlement at a sugartree thence west with said Kennedy line one hundred and fifty poles to two sugartrees on said Kennedy line and on Samuel Gordons line, thence North ten degrees East two hundred and thirteen and half poles to a sugartree bounded by Gordons line thence East one

hundred and fifty poles to small Elm tree thence south
ten degrees west [two] hundred and thirteen & half poles to the



the beginning with all ways waters water courses profits
hereditaments unto the said James Crofford his heirs and
assigns forever doth hereby warrant and forever defend the
said described land and witness whereof I have hereunto
set my hand and seal the day and year above written
Thos Kennedy
Agness Kennedy
Signed sealed & delivered
In the presence of us
At a court continued and held for Lincoln County the
19th day of April 1786
This indenture was acknow
ledged by the said Thomas Kennedy and Agnes his wife (she be
ing first privily examined as the law directs to be their act
and deed and ordered to be recorded.
Test Willis Green CLB

Backing Up Data

Thursday, May 30, 2019

It's almost the first of the month – the time when many bloggers remind us to backup our genealogy data. Normally, I ignore those reminders. I ignore them because I feel like I have a good backup plan.

- I backup my RootsMagic database every time I close it after making any changes. (I change the name to add a character or two to reflect the time.)
- My genealogy files are stored on the hard drive of my computer and synced with Dropbox
- I use Second Copy to copy files (documents, pictures and music) to an external USB drive
- I use Backblaze to backup my files off site

Since I am backing up my files in multiple ways, I usually don't worry about the reminders. That was until this morning. When I sat down to my computer this morning, I had a BackBlaze warning that my files hadn't been backed up since May 22nd.

So, how did my backup system fail? Two factors caused Backblaze to not be current: the weather and the loss of Internet connectivity.



Many would question how I could blame a Backblaze failure on the weather, but it is related. I try to shutdown my computer and unplug it during thunderstorms. Getting tired of this middle of the night task, I started shutting down my computer at bedtime when severe weather threatened. And we have had a lot of severe weather for the past 10 days. Since I have Backblaze and Second Copy set to run at night, neither was backing up my computer until I left it on last night.

Since we didn't have severe weather last night (thank you Lord), the backups should have run. Second Copy did run and the backup to the USB drive is current. However, Backblaze didn't run.

Backblaze couldn't run last night because our Internet was still down from a cut fiber line. Since the fiber line repair was completed this morning, our Internet is back. Thus, Backblaze should run tonight and everything will be backed up again.

The warning this morning reminded me to PAY ATTENTION to whether my backups complete as expected.

Ancestry DNA Tips

Thursday, May 30, 2019

This morning, I watched one of the Barefoot Genealogist's new videos: What Are Ancestry ThruLines?

Even though I was already familiar with Ancestry's ThruLines – and appreciate how they are helping me with my DNA matches, I learned several things about how Ancestry's 'Common Ancestors' and 'ThruLines' work from this video.

The major tip is to CREATE a tree and ATTACH it to the DNA test.

- Make the tree Public OR searchable Private – as long as the tree is searchable, it will help generate ThruLines clues
- When the tree is 'searchable private' the various generations are shown as PRIVATE in a matches' view of ThruLines
- If possible, add your parents and grandparents to the tree
 - Use Genealogy Standards when adding information to your tree Names Only use maiden names for women in the tree. Using a married name will make it difficult for the computer to match the woman in a tree to the same woman in someone else's tree.
 - Don't use any special characters such as quotation marks, nicknames or symbols in the name fields. Again, this will make it difficult if not impossible for the computer to make the match.
 - Places City, County, State, Country format
 - No abbreviations (For example, spell out the state Kansas instead of using KS)
 - Dates dd mmm yyyy format. For example: 28 May 2019

I know that place names are a stumbling block for me. In the past, I have abbreviated the state. I've also abbreviated the word COUNTY as Co. More recently, I've been trying to use the standardized version of a place name. (Thankfully, my genealogy software helps me with this.) However, I still have some of my older, nonstandard, place names in my file. Thus, those place names may be preventing Ancestry's computers from finding a common ancestor with another match.

As I'm working to meet these standards in my Heartland Genealogy tree, I hope all of my matches that currently don't have a tree will create and attach a tree to their DNA test.

Crawford to Rice Deed

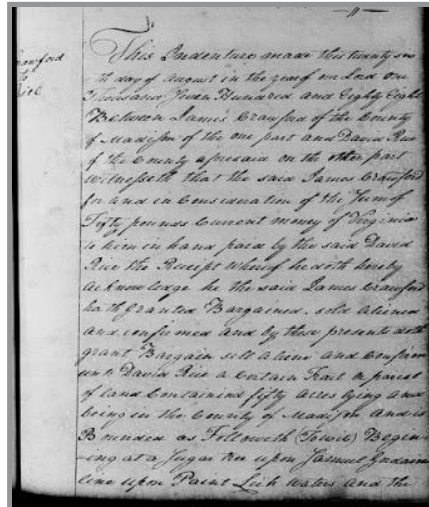
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Madison County Kentucky

Deed book B

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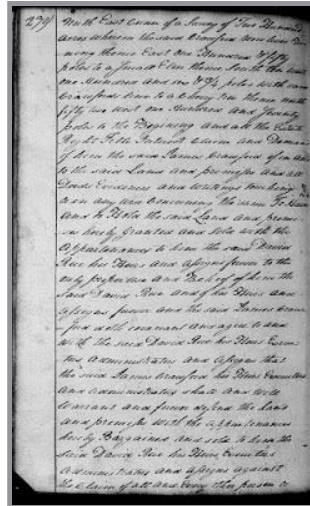
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Crawford to Rice

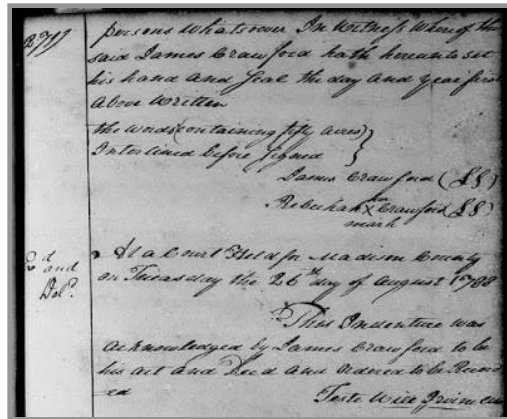
*This Indenture made this twenty six
th day of August in the year of our Lord one
Thousand Seven Hundred and eighty eight
Between James Crawford of the County
of Madison of the one part and David Rice
of the county aforesaid on the other part
witnesseth that the said James Crawford
for and in consideration of the sum of
fifty pound current money of Virginia
to him in hand paid by the said David
Rice the receipt whereof he doth hereby
acknowledge he the said James Crawford
hath granted bargained sold aliened
and confirmed and by these presents doth
grant bargain sell alien and confirm
unto David Rice a certain tract or parcel
of land containing fifty acres lying and
being in the county of Madison and is
bounded as followeth (to wit) begin
ing at a sugar tree upon Samuel Gordains
line upon Paint Lick waters and the*

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north east corner of a survey of two hundred
 acres where on the said Crawford now lives [?]

ning thence East one hundred & fifty
 poles to a small elm thence south ten west
 one hundred and six & $\frac{3}{4}$ poles with said
 Crawfords line to a cherry tree thence north
 fifty two west one hundred and seventy
 poles to the beginning and all the estate
 right title interest claim and demand
 of him the said James Crawford of in and
 to the said land and premises and all
 deeds evidences and writing touching
 or in any wise concerning the same to have
 and to hold the said land and premi
 ses hereby granted and sold with the
 appertenance to him the said David
 Rice his heirs and assigns forever to the
 only propoer use and behoof of him the
 said David Rice and of his heirs and
 assigns forever and the said James Craw
 ford doth covenant and agree to and
 with the said David Rice his heirs execu
 tors administrators and assigns that
 the said James Crawford his heirs executors
 and administrators shall and will
 warrant and forever defend the land
 and premises with the appurtenances
 hereby bargained and sold to him the
 said David Rice his heirs executors
 administrators and assigns against
 the claim of all and every other person or



persons whatsoever in witness whereof the
 said James Crawford hath hereunto set
 his hand and seal the day and year first
 above written
 the words (containing fifty acres)
 interlined before figure
 James Crawford
 Rebekah (her mark) Crawford
 At a court held for Madison County
 On Tuesday the 26th day of August 1788
 This indenture was
 acknowledged by James Crawford to be
 his act and deed and ordered to be record
 ed
 Teste Will Irvin

FamilySearch Tree and Sources

Saturday, June 01, 2019

What are your feelings regarding the FamilySearch tree? Do you dislike it because anyone can change anything? Or, do you like it because of the ability to collaborate?

Even though I get frustrated with unexplained changes that don't fit my conclusions, I like the FamilySearch tree. I like it because it is the one of the places where collaboration happens. When someone else makes a change to one of my ancestors that doesn't agree with my research, I see the opportunity to collaborate. When this happens, I will often add a discussion item either questioning the change or explaining my conclusion. I also use the messaging tool to contact the contributor and inquire about their sources and reasoning.

My first encounter with this was when someone changed the birthplace for James Crawford [M9X2-NWS] and added parents. I was ecstatic! Someone had found the parents of James Crawford. They even attached a source! However, when I started studying that source in relation to everything else we knew about James Crawford, I realized that the source was for a different James Crawford and not for my ancestor. I let my discussion post sit there for a while before removing the parents, the source and restoring James' birth date and place.

Yesterday, I was reviewing changes to individuals I monitor on the FamilySearch tree and found where a sibling of my 2nd great grandmother, Emeline Minnick [K8K7-NHW], was removed from the family. It took me a while to figure out the changes, but Emeline's brother was merged with another male of the same name and ended up in a different family.

As I was reviewing my data to see if I had Wilson J. Minnick [LV86-BFV] placed in the wrong family, I realized that I had more information about the family than was visible to others. I have sources in my RootsMagic data that aren't on the FamilySearch tree. I've found that to be true of many people in my database: I have more sources than are on the FamilySearch tree.

RootsMagic has the capability to transfer my sources to FamilySearch. So why aren't those sources attached? For me, I have a

- hesitancy to add source because I don't know how to tag it (Name, Gender, Birth, Christening, Death, Burial). Many of my sources place a person in a particular place at a particular time and have nothing to do with their birth or death.
- hesitancy to add source because I don't know what is expected in the 'reason to attach source' box
- reluctance to spend the time. I would rather be researching than adding sources to the FamilySearch tree.

Because of my reluctance to upload my sources to the FamilySearch tree, I know have to figure out how to separate two families that have been merged.

Thus, I'm plan to not worry as much about whether my reason for attaching a source is good enough and to spend more time uploading sources.

DNA and Descendancy Research

Sunday, June 02, 2019

Do you try and connect with other genealogists to pick up tips and tricks? Living in rural America, I rely on connections over the Internet to pick up many of those tips and tricks. I've recently been watching one of the Barefoot Genealogists' recent videos: Making Discoveries with the New and Improved AncestryDNA Match List.

About halfway thru the video (28:48), Crista explains why I should use actual names and birthdates for living people in my tree. I hadn't considered that my 'privitization' of the names would prevent the computers from being able to match data in my tree with data in a match's tree. Since I've had issues in the past with shared matches not working as expected, I have followed Crista's advice and used actual names.

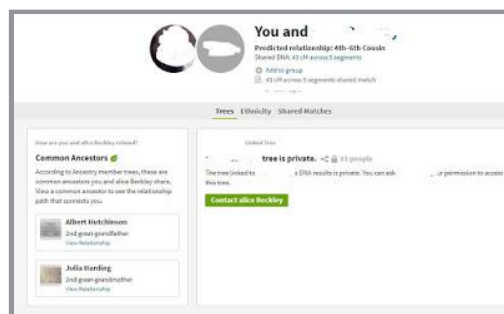
Watching this video, I also discovered that the method and terminology for shared matches has changed. Instead of being called 'shared matches', it is now called 'common ancestors'. The terminology change is likely due to the change in how the 'sharing' is determined. I believe the shared matches was based on sharing Ancestry hints. With common ancestors, it is determined by comparing tree data.

That's why Ancestry is recommending that everyone have a tree with at least parents and grandparents. Ancestry's computers can take that small tree and compare it to all of the other trees on Ancestry. Thus, that small tree might have a parent or grandparent in a larger tree, like mine, that contains a lot of descendants. This is the same technology that is behind the new feature, Ancestry Thrulines.

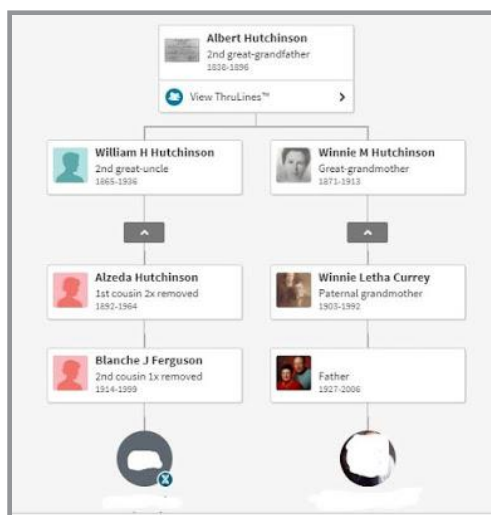
I decided to test this on my own tree. I had a DNA match that I hadn't looked at identified as having a common ancestor.



When I clicked on the 'Common Ancestor' link, it took me to a comparison page. This screen informed me that my match's tree was private. However, along the left side of the screen was the suggested common ancestors: Albert Hutchinson and Julia Harding.



When I clicked on Albert Hutchinson, our two lines leading back to Albert Hutchinson were shown.



All of the white boxes on both lines were from my tree! Since I have researched the descendants of Albert Hutchinson, I had enough info in my tree to connect with my match – who only had 11 people in her tree.

Thus, all of my work over the years to research descendants is helping me identify my DNA matches!

Samuel Anderson Will

Monday, June 03, 2019

Madison County, Kentucky

Family Search

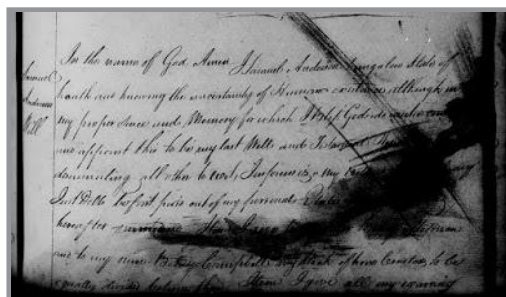
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Will

Vol. A

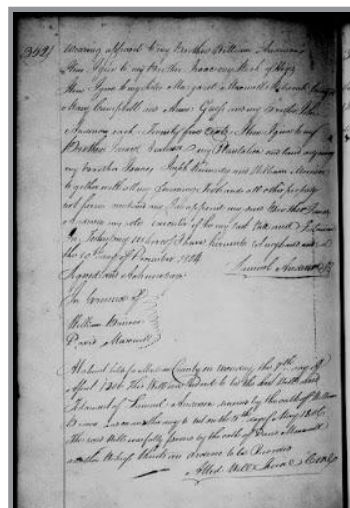
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In the name of God Amen

*I Samuel Anderson being a low state of
health and knowing the uncertainty of Humane existence although in
my propoer sence and memory for which I bless God do make [co?]
and appoint this to be my last will and testament [?]
dis[cumuling] all other to wit, Impres[?] my [w?]
just debts to be first paid out of my personal estate [?]
hereafter [? – blurred ink]
and to my niece Betsy Campbell my stock of horse Creator, to be
equally divided between them Item I give all my [?ing]*

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wearing apparel to my brother William Anderson
Item I give to my brother Isaac my stock of hogs
Item I give to my sister Margaret Maxwell, Rebecah Crawford
Mary Campbell and Anne Gass and my brother John
Anderson each twenty five cents Item I give to my
Brother James Anderson my plantation and land adjoining
my brother Isaac, Joseph Kennedy and William Morrison
together with all my farming tools and all other property
not herein mentioned and I do appoint my said brother James
Anderson my sole executor of this my last will and Testament
In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal
this 10th day of December 1804

Samuel Anderson

Signed and Acknowledged

In presence of

William Briscoe

David Maxwell

At a Court held for Madison County on Monday the 7th day of
April 1806 this will was proved to be the last will and
testament of Samuel Anderson deceased by the oath of William
Briscoe and on another day to wit on the 5th day of May 1806
The said will was fully proved by the oath of David Maxwell
another witness thereto an ordered to be recorded

Albert Will Irvine CMC

Vawter to Crawford Deed

Tuesday, June 04, 2019

Jennings County, Indiana

Deed record v. A Apr 1818-Nov 1828

Family Search Film 1305298 DGS 8059848

Book A

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J Vawter

to deed

James Crawford



This Indenture made this twentieth day of October in the year of our lord one thousand eight hundred & twenty between John Vawter and Polly his wife of Jennings county Indiana of the first part and James Crawford of the County of Jefferson and state of Indiana of the second part witnesseth, that the parties of the first part for and in consideration of the sum of two dollars currant money to them in hand paid by the party of the second part the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged have granted bargained and sold and by these presents do grant bargain and sell to the party of the second part his heirs and assigns forever [Ono] in lot in the town of Vernon and County of Jennings known on the plat thereof as of Record number eighty three the same having been transferred to him by David McClure one of the proprietors of the town of Vernon and situate on Washington Street and containing eight thousand seven hundred and twelve square feet to have and to hold with all the rights priviledges and appurtenances thereunto belonging to the party of the second part his heirs and assigns forever and the parties of the first part for their heirs covenant and agree with the party of the second part his heirs & the aforesaid lot of land to warrant and forever defend from the claim of all manner of persons whatsoever unto the party of the second part his heirs and assigns to their only proper un

*benefit and behoof forever In testimony whereof the said John Vawter and
Polly his wife of the first part have hereunto set their hands and seals at
Vernon the day & year above written*

John Vawter (seal)

Polly Vawter (seal)

Sealed and Delivered in presence of us

Willis C Stubbing

Achilles Vawter

State of Indiana

Jennings County

Before me Achilles Vawter, a Justice of the peace within

*and for the county aforesaid personally came John Vawter and Polly his
wife the above named grantors (the said Polly being examined separate and
apart from her husband and declaring herself under no compulsion or coer
cion) and acknowledges the above deed of conveyance to be their voluntary
act and deed for the [uns] and purposes therein contained witness my
hand & seal this first day of November eighteen hundred & twenty*

A Vawter J Peace

Recorded this 2nd day of Nov 1820

Reporting Census Extraction Issue

Wednesday, June 05, 2019

Do you just rely on Ancestry's record information for census records prior to 1850? Or do you locate an extraction form for the census year to verify the interpretation of the check marks?

I have to admit that I often just use the information provided by Ancestry. I'm not sure why I decided to locate an extraction form and record the census information for myself today. However, I'm glad I did since I think the Ancestry record had one piece of information incorrect.

I was researching Isaac Crawford of Jefferson County, Indiana. I suspected he was living in Jefferson County in 1820 but hadn't obtained a census record to support that suspicion. So, I searched Ancestry and was able to locate a record for Isaac Crawford in Jefferson County, Indiana.

The screenshot shows the Ancestry Record interface for the 1820 United States Federal Census. At the top, there's a navigation bar with "Ancestry Record", "Citation Details", "Associated Facts", and "Media". The main title is "1820 United States Federal Census". Below it, there's a thumbnail image of a census document with a magnifying glass icon. To the right of the thumbnail are two buttons: "View Image" and "View Record".

Name	
Harris Isaac Crawford	
Home in 1820 (City, County, State)	Jefferson, Indiana
Enumeration Date	August 7, 1820
Free White Persons - Males - Under 10	0
Free White Persons - Males - 10 thru 44	1
Free White Persons - Females - Under 10	1
Free White Persons - Females - 10 thru 15	1
Free White Persons - Females - 16 thru 25	1
Free Colored Persons - Males - Under 14	1
Free White Persons - Under 18	5
Free White Persons - Over 25	1
Total Free White Persons	7
Total Free Colored Persons	1
Total All Persons - White, Slaves, Colored, Other	8

The census image for Isaac Crawford also included Will Crawford a few lines up.



Wanting to record the information for both families, I opened my 1820 extraction form and recorded the information on my spreadsheet.

Click HERE about the contest															
WHITE MEN					WHITE FEMALE					W of	OCCUPATIONS	HEAR PLAYED		FOUNDER PLAYED	
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Head of Household					10 15 20 25					W of		10 15 20 25		10 15 20 25	
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First Name					10 15 20 25					W of		10 15 20 25		10 15 20 25	
Address					10 15 20 25					W of		10 15 20 25		10 15 20 25	
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One of the things I noticed was that Will was engaged in agriculture while Isaac was engaged in manufacturing. Suspecting the two men were brothers, this puzzled me. When I looked back at the record for Isaac, it didn't say anything about manufacturing. Instead, it indicated a slave under 14.

I scanned the images to try and find an image with headings at the top. Unfortunately, none of the 25 images I scanned has headings at the top of the image.



After double-checking my extraction, I decided to report the issue to Ancestry. On the record screen, there is a link on the left to 'Report Issue'.

Isaac Crawford
in the 1820 United States Federal Census

✓ Saved to: [Crawford, Isaac](#) in tree "Heartland Genealogy" Remove

 [View](#)

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[Report Issue](#)

Name: Isaac Crawford
Home in 1820 (City, County, State): Jefferson, Indiana
Enumeration Date: August 7, 1820

Free White Persons - Males - Under 10: 3
Free White Persons - Males - 26 thru 44: 1
Free White Persons - Females - Under 10: 1

I clicked on that link. On the reporting screen, I selected 'Inaccurate Information' as the issue I wanted to report.

What would you like to report?

Inaccurate information

Inaccurate information

We always strive to ensure that the information we provide is accurate. However, we can't guarantee that every record or transcription is correct. As you may have noticed, not all records are easy to read and our transcribers sometimes make mistakes.

If you have information to correct an error, you can share it by adding comments to the record or by adding alternate information. If there is a problem with the source image, please report that using the "Problem with an image" option.

[Continue](#) [Cancel](#)

On the next screen, I entered how I thought the information needed to be corrected.

Report an issue or request content removal

What would you like to report?

Inaccurate information

Request removal of content

Content URL*

<http://search.ancestry.com/cgi-bin/ksui.nsf?nd=1&id=1173480+1240955&cat=1>

Email address*

mcgphibuck@gmail.com

Country of residence*

United States

Comment (optional):

I believe the last check mark is for Manufacturing and not for a male slave. Could you redneck that?

[Send Request](#) [Cancel](#)

Help on this form

To help us respond to your request, please fill out all of the fields on this form.

The Content URL may be filled in for you. First, please copy and paste the URL from Ancestry.com for the page that has the problem.

Your email address will help us contact you should we need clarification.

Please provide your Country of Residence (where you currently live).

Finally, please provide any additional information in the Comments section that will help us understand your concerns.

What happens next will be determined by Ancestry. If Ancestry determines that there was an error, then my time will have been worth it. The ultimate goal is to have accurate

information.

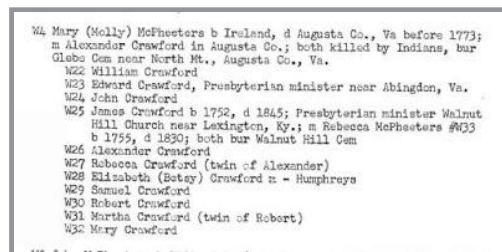
Following Women to Find Hints

Thursday, June 06, 2019

Do you research the spouses of your ancestor's siblings? If you are like me, you don't spend much time identifying let alone researching the parents of an ancestor's sister-in-law.

However, with my Crawford research, I'm finding valuable clues from published genealogies. Many of those published genealogies are for the families of women who married into the Crawford family.

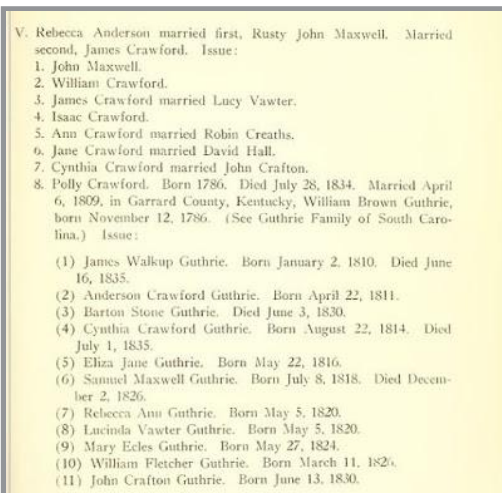
There are a couple of McPheeters genealogies that include the family of Alexander and Mary (McPheeters) Crawford. These works have helped me separate my Crawford line from the descendants of Alexander Crawford.



Wt. Mary (Molly) McPheeters b Ireland, d Augusta Co., Va before 1773;
m Alexander Crawford in Augusta Co.; both killed by Indians, bur
Globe Cem near North Mt., Augusta Co., Va.
W22 William Crawford
W23 Edward Crawford, Presbyterian minister near Abingdon, Va.
W24 John Crawford
W25 James Crawford b 1752, d 1845; Presbyterian minister Walnut
Hill Church near Lexington, Ky.; m Rebecca McPheeters #433
b 1759, d 1830; both bur Walnut Hill Cem
W26 Alexander Crawford
W27 Rebecca Crawford (twin of Alexander)
W28 Elisabeth (Betty) Crawford m - Humphreys
W29 Samuel Crawford
W30 Robert Crawford
W31 Martha Crawford (twin of Robert)
W32 Mary Crawford

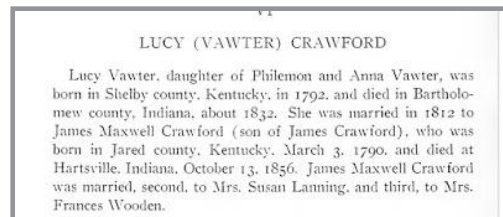
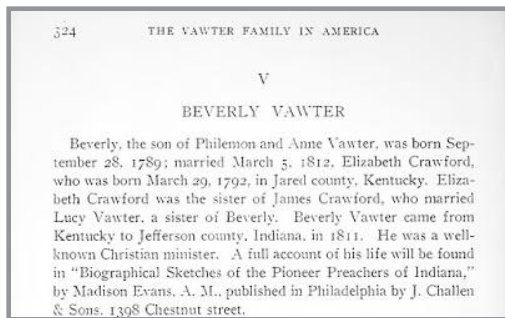
Since my ancestor, James Crawford, was married in Garrard County, I have spent a lot of time researching the Crawford families in Garrard County at the time. I suspect that my James Crawford is somehow related to the James Crawford that owned land along the Paint Lick Creek in Madison and Garrard counties. This James Crawford was married to Rebecca Anderson.

Thru the John Anderson deed found in Madison County, Kentucky (Book D page 712 and 713), I was able to identify the siblings of Rebecca Anderson Crawford. This deed along with additional research on James and Rebecca Crawford led me to a Maxwell Family History.



V. Rebecca Anderson married first, Rusty John Maxwell. Married
second, James Crawford. Issue:
1. John Maxwell.
2. William Crawford.
3. James Crawford married Lucy Vawter.
4. Isaac Crawford.
5. Ann Crawford married Robin Creaths.
6. Jane Crawford married David Hall.
7. Cynthia Crawford married John Crafton.
8. Polly Crawford. Born 1786. Died July 28, 1834. Married April
6, 1809, in Garrard County, Kentucky, William Brown Guthrie,
born November 12, 1786. (See Guthrie Family of South Caro-
lina.) Issue:
(1) James Walkup Guthrie. Born January 2, 1810. Died June
16, 1835.
(2) Anderson Crawford Guthrie. Born April 22, 1811.
(3) Barton Stone Guthrie. Died June 3, 1830.
(4) Cynthia Crawford Guthrie. Born August 22, 1814. Died
July 1, 1835.
(5) Eliza Jane Guthrie. Born May 22, 1816.
(6) Samuel Maxwell Guthrie. Born July 8, 1818. Died Decem-
ber 2, 1826.
(7) Rebecca Ann Guthrie. Born May 5, 1820.
(8) Lucinda Vawter Guthrie. Born May 5, 1820.
(9) Mary Eccles Guthrie. Born May 27, 1824.
(10) William Fletcher Guthrie. Born March 11, 1826.
(11) John Crafton Guthrie. Born June 13, 1830.

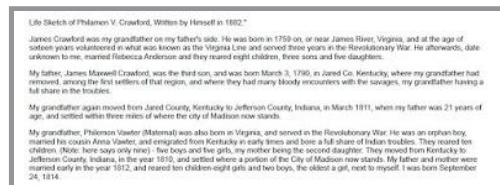
I also found information on some of James and Rebecca Crawford's children in the Vawter Family History.



By researching these VAWTER families, I came across a WPA Interview with James Vawter Crawford and his mother Mary F Cowgill (Crawford) Coon.



The transcript of the interview contains a 'Life Sketch of Philamen V. Crawford, written by himself in 1882.' This life sketch includes information on James and Rebecca Crawford, the grandparents of Philamen V. Crawford.



All of these sources provides clues about the family of James and Rebecca (Anderson) Crawford. Armed with these clues, I have been able to locate marriage records, deeds and court documents to further document this family.

Even though I've been able to back up the information from these family genealogies with other records, that isn't always the case. Scott Fisher reminds us to utilize caution when working with published genealogies in episode #77 of Fisher's Top Tips.

"Early genealogists were just as prone to error as anyone posting a public tree today ... use that old book as a clue, then validate that the author got it right," said Scott Fisher on Episode #77 of Fisher's Top Tips.

I'm no closer to proving a relationship between my James Crawford and James and Rebecca (Anderson) Crawford. However, I'm thankful that I've found these published

genealogies. Who knows, one of these clues might lead to a document connecting the two men.

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Robert Creath Probate

Friday, June 07, 2019

Ripley County, Indiana

Will Records

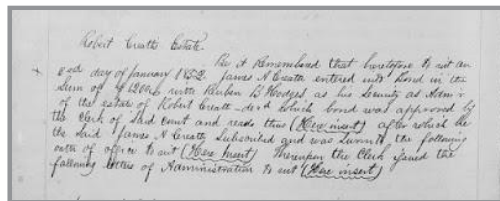
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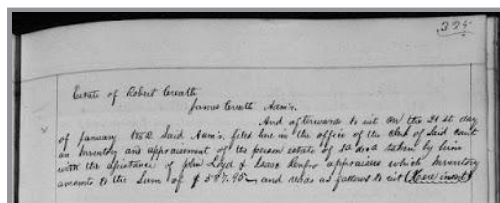


Robert Creath's Estate

Be it Remembered that heretofore to wit on

3rd day of January 1852 James A Creath entered into bond in the sum of \$1200 with Reuben B Hodges as his security as Admr of the estate of Robert Creath decd which bond was approved by the clerk of said court and reads thus (here insert) after which be the said James A Creath subscribed and was sworn to the following oath of office to with (here insert) Thereupon the clerk issued the following letters of administration to wit (here insert)

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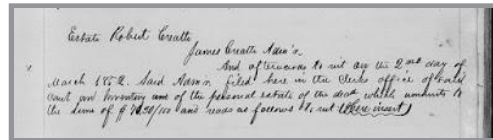
Estate of Robert Creath

James Creath Adm'r

And afterwards to wit on the 21st day

of January 1852 said Adm'r filed here in the office of the clerk of said court one inventory and appraisement of the person estate of sd decd taken by him with the assistance of John Loyd and Isaac Renfro appraisers which inventory amounts to the sum of \$587.95 and reads as follows to wit (here insert)

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Estate of Robert Creath

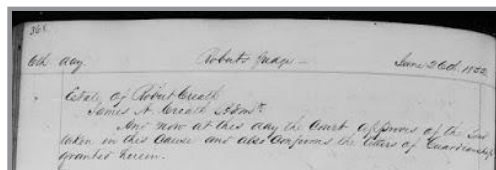
James Creath Adm'r

And afterwards to wit on the 2nd day of

March 1852 said Admr filed here in the clerk's office of said

court an inventory of the personal estate of the dead which amounts to the sum of \$70.30/100 and reads as follows to wit (here insert)

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June 26th, 1852

Estate of Robert Creath

James A Creath Admr

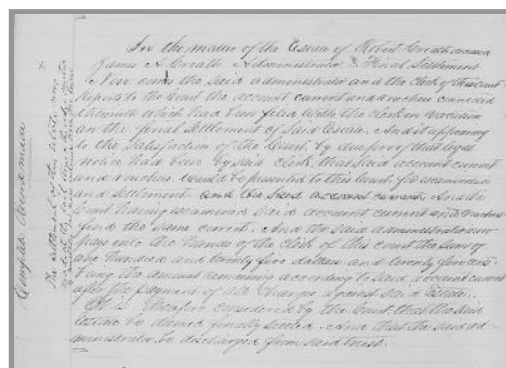
And now at this day the court approved of the bond

taken in this cause and also confirms the letters of guardianship granted herein.

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In the matter of the Estate of Robert Creath deceased

James A Creath Administrator



January 24th 1854

Final Settlement

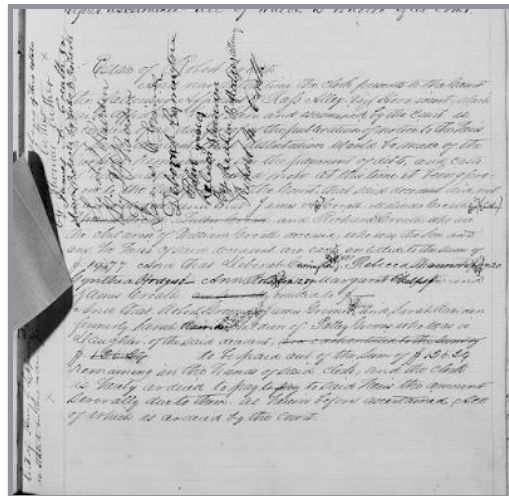
Now comes the said administrator and the clerk of this court

reports to the court the account current and vouchers connected therewith which had been filed with the clerk in vacation

on the final settlement of said estate. And it appearing

to the satisfaction of the court by due proof that legal notice had been by said clerk that said account current and vouchers would be presented to this court for examination and settlement and the court having examined said account current and vouchers find the same correct. And the said administrator pays into the hand of the clerk of this court the sum [text hidden] one hundred and twenty five dollars and twenty five [text hidden] being the amount remaining according to said account [text hidden] after the payment of all charges against said Es[text hidden] It is therefore considered by the Court the[text hidden] Estate be deemed finally settled. And the [text hidden] ministrator be discharged from said [text hidden]

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Estate of Robert Creath

And now at this time the clerk presents to the Court the following affidavit of Ross Ally vis Here insert which said affidavit being send and examined by the Court is accepted of as due proof of the public actions of notice to the heirs of said decedent that distribution would be made of the surplus remaining after the payment of debts, and costs of administration and now at this time it being proven to the satisfaction of he court that said decedent did not leae a widow. and that James A (Paid) Creatj, Malinda Creath [paid] (Luther) Thomas Creath, Luther Creath and Richard Creath, who are the children of William Creath deceased who was the son and one of the heirs of said decedent are each entitled to the sum of \$19.77 and that Deborah Carrington [paid 19.30] Rebecca Shannon [paid 19.30] Cynthia Hodges Ann Roberts [paid 12.89] Margaret Phillips and James Creath entitled to \$_____ and that Robert Grimes [paid] James Grimes [paid 1.44] and Sarah [Rasiden] formerly Sarah [Rasider] children of Polley Grimes who was a daughter of the said decedent to be paid out of the sum of \$125.24.

remaining in the hands of said clerk, and the clerk
is hereby ordered to pay to said heirs the amount
severally due to them as herein before ascertained All
of which is ordered by the Court.

List of heirs [L Lepp]
as stated in this order
shares of this estate
Luther
by Thomas Luther
James A Creath gn
Anna Roberts by John b Roberts
Sarah I Rairden
by [T J] Rairden
James C Grimes
Deborah Carrington
Robert Grimes
Rebecca Shannon
by Rea[len] B Hodges, attorney
Richard M Creath

Isaac Crawford Deed

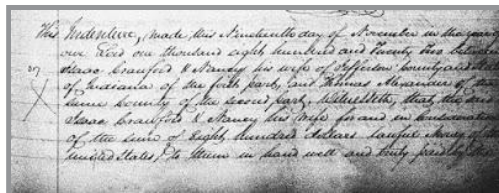
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Jefferson County Indiana Deeds

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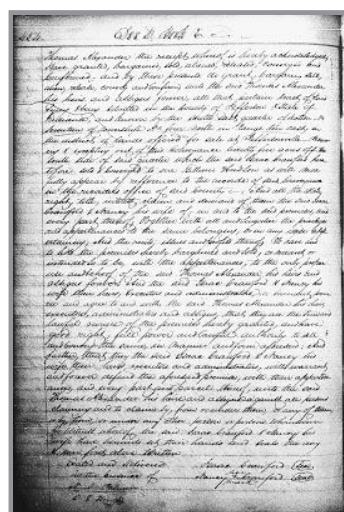
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This Indenture, made this nineteenth day of November in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and twenty two between Isaac Crawford & Nancy his wife of Jefferson County [and state] of Indiana of the first part, and Thomas Alexander of the same County of the second part witnesseth that the said Isaac Crawford & Nancy his wife for and in consideration of the sum of eight hundred dollars lawful money [?] United States to them in hand well and truly paid [?]

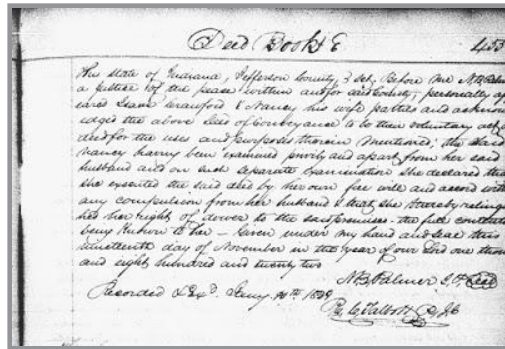
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Thomas Alexander the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, have granted, bargained, sold, aliened, released, conveyed and Confirmed, and by these presents do grant, bargain, sell, alien, release, convey and confirm, unto the said Thomas Alexander his heirs and assigns forever, all that certain tract of land lying & being situated in the County of Jefferson & State of

*Indiana, and known by the south east quarter of section no. seventeen of township no. four north in range ten east in the district of lands offered for sale at Jeffersonville – Reserving & excepting out of this conveyance twenty five acres off the south side of said quarter which the said Isaac Crawford here to fore sold & conveyed to one Gillum Hudson as will more fully appear by reference to the records of said conveyance in the recorders office of said county — And all the estate, right, title, interest, claim and demand of them the said Isaac Crawford & Nancy his wife of, in and to the said premises, and every part thereof, Together with all and singular the priveleges and appertuances to the same belonging or in any wise appertaining and the rents, issues and profits thereof, to have and to hold the premises hereby bargained and sol, or means, or intended so to be, with the appertenances, to the only proper use and behoof of the said Thomas Alexander his heirs and assigns forever and the said Isaac Crawford & Nancy his wife their heirs, executors and administrators, do covenant promise and agree to and with the said Thomas Alexander his heirs, executors, administrators and assigns that they are the true and lawful owners of the premises hereby granted and have good right full power and lawful authority to all and convey the same in manner and form aforesaid and further that they the said Isaac Crawford & Nancy his wife their heirs executors and administrators, will warrant and forever defend the aforesaid premises, with their appertenances, and every part and parcel thereof unto the said Thomas Alexander his heirs and assigns against all persons claiming and claim by, from or under them or any of them or by from or under any other person or persons who[ud]soever [be] witness whereof the said Isaac Crawford & Nancy his wife have hereunto set their hands and seals the day & man first above written
Isaac Crawford (seal)
Nancy (her mark) Crawford (seal)
Sealed and delivered
in the presence of
[N?] Palmer
O. E. Hough*

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The state of Indiana, Jefferson County [sct] Before me N B Palmer
a justice of the peace within and for said County personally app
eared Isaac Crawford & Nancy his wife parties and acknowl
edged the above deed of conveyance to be their voluntary act and
deed for the uses and purposes therein mentioned; the said
Nancy having been examined privily and apart from her said
husband and on such separate examination she declared that
she executed the said deed by her own free will and accord without
any compulsion from her husband & that she thereby relinquis
hed her right of dower to the said premises – the full contents
being known to her – Given under my hand and seal this
nineteenth day of November in the year of our Lord one thous
and eight hundred and twenty two
N B Palmer JP Seal
Recorded & Exd Jany 10th 1829
R C Talbott RJC

Am I Making Incorrect Conclusions?

Saturday, June 08, 2019

Have you ever looked at the FamilySearch tree or at personal trees on Ancestry and wondered how and why they made those family connections? I know I have. I hope that others if others have such a question about the research reflected in my Ancestry tree, that they would contact me with their concerns and questions!

This is important to me. I want my tree to accurately reflect family relationships. Since I research siblings and their descendants, some might ask why it is important that I get those relationships right. As Ancestry is providing us with more DNA tools, I'm finding that my ability to interpret my DNA matches is affected by whether I have those family connections correct. This became more apparent to me when I was studying my ThruLines and discovered that I didn't have any DNA matches thru siblings of my ancestor. (See Crawford ThruLines Question)

As I'm researching the James Crawford(1758-1836) who married Rebecca Anderson, I'm finding that what I have in my tree disagrees with what a lot of others have.

James Crawford (m. Anderson) Birth: 1759 - Augusta, Virginia, USA Death: 16 May 1836 - Madison, Jefferson, Indiana, USA Marriage: ABT. 1783 Spouse: Rebecca Anderson (Crawford)	F: Alexander Crawford (m. McPheeters) M: Mary McPheeters (Crawford)
James Crawford Birth: 1759 - Augusta, Virginia, USA Death: 16 May 1836 - Fleming, Kentucky, USA Marriage: 23 October 1796 (21 Oct 1796) - Botetourt, Virginia, USA Spouse: Sarah Vansandt	F: Alexander Crawford M: Mary McPheeters
Rev. James Crawford Birth: 1758 - Augusta, Virginia, USA Death: 03 Apr 1836 (3 Apr 1836) - Madison, Jefferson, Indiana, USA Marriage: 1790 - Botetourt, Virginia, USA Spouse: Rebecca Anderson	F: Alexander Crawford M: Mary McPheeters
James Crawford Birth: 1752 - Virginia, USA Death: abt 1836 - Fleming, Letches, Kentucky, USA Spouse: Rebecca Anderson	F: (Name Unknown) M: (Name Unknown)
James Crawford Birth: 1752 - Virginia, USA Death: abt 1836 Spouse: Rebecca Anderson	F: (Name Unknown) M: (Name Unknown)
Rev. James Crawford Birth: Virginia, USA Death: Mar 1803 - Kentucky, USA Spouse: Rebecca Anderson	F: (Name Unknown) M: (Name Unknown)

I have also been researching Anna Crawford who married Robert Creath. I believe Anna to be the daughter of James and Rebecca (Anderson) Crawford. Again, I'm finding that others do not agree with me.

Name	Parents
<p>Anna Crawford</p> <p>Birth: 1780 - Lexington, Fayette, Kentucky, USA Death: 18 Aug 1830 Marriage: 21 Jul 1800 - Lancaster, Garrard, Kentucky, USA Spouse: Robert A Creath</p>	<p>F: James Crawford M: Rebecca McPheeters</p>
<p>Anna Crawford</p> <p>Birth: 2 Jul 1782 - Lexington, Fayette, Kentucky, USA Death: 18 Aug 1830 - Lexington, Fayette, Kentucky, USA Marriage: 21 Jul 1800 - Lancaster, Garrard, Kentucky, USA Spouse: Robert A Creath</p>	<p>F: Rev. James Crawford M: Rebecca McPheeters</p>
<p>Anna Crawford</p> <p>Birth: 1780 - Lexington, Fayette, Kentucky, USA Death: 18 Aug 1830 - Lexington, Fayette, Kentucky, USA Marriage: 21 Jul 1800 - Lancaster, Garrard, Kentucky, USA Spouse: Robert A Creath</p>	<p>F: Rev. James Crawford M: Rebecca McPheeters</p>

Many of these trees trace their Crawford line to Alexander and Mary (McPheeters) Crawford. Alexander and Mary were killed in 1764. Their descendants are identified in several publications.

Rice, Helen McPheeters. The McPheeters Family. Winter Park, Florida: no pub, 1956. p. 103
Clemens, William M. Crawford Family Records. New York: William M. Clemens, 1914p. 11

Based on the clues in these and other publications, I've identified the James Crawford living in Fayette County, Kentucky as the son of Alexander and Mary (McPheeters) Crawford. Find a Grave memorial number 59499985 provides more information on this James Crawford.




Photo added by [Stephanie Child](#)

Rev James Crawford

BIRTH 1793
Augusta County, Virginia, USA

DEATH 11 Apr 1880 (aged 48–50)
Lexington-Fayette, Fayette County, Kentucky, USA


BURIAL Walnut Hill Presbyterian Church Cemetery
Walnut Hill (Colketown), Fayette County, Kentucky, USA [Add to Map](#)

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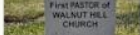
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4th great grand uncle of husband James Crawford
Birth: 1732 in Mountain View near Buffalo Gap, Augusta, Virginia, United States
Death: 1 Apr 1800 in Lexington, Fayette, Kentucky, United States



First PASTOR of WALNUT HILL CHURCH

James became a Presbyterian minister and was licensed to preach in 1779. He removed to Kentucky and was for many years pastor of Walnut Hill Church, near Lexington. In 1792 he was a member of the convention that formed the first constitution on Kentucky-Crawford family by William M. Clemens- http://content.ancestry.com/Browse/Book/View.aspx?cid=17357&id=dmv_dea_GenHome002426-00006-1

Married his cousin - Descendants of Alexander and Mary McPheeters Crawford p.13 - Allen Co, Library, Ft. Wayne, IN

This James Crawford had a spouse named Rebecca. However, I believe there is another James Crawford with a wife named Rebecca living along Paint Lick Creek in Garrard County, KY. The book, Maxwell History and Genealogy outlines the family of James and Rebecca Anderson.

Housston, Florence Wilson, Laura Cowan Blaine and Ella Dunn Mellette. Maxwell History and Genealogy. Indianapolis, IN: Indiana Engraving Co., 1916. p. 255.

I've been using the information from this Maxwell history to help research this James Crawford and his family. I have deeds for James Crawford indicating that he migrated from Garrard County, Kentucky to Jefferson County, Indiana. Of the eight children identified in the Maxwell history, I have marriage records for four of them from Garrard County, Kentucky and for three of them from Jefferson County, Indiana.

Unfortunately, I'm still looking for a will, probate file and/or deed tying James Crawford (1758-1836) to his children. Without this type of documentation, the information in my tree could be wrong.

Since circumstantial evidence suggests that my ancestor, James Crawford (1772-1854) might be related to the James Crawford (1758-1836) of Garrard County, I'd like to use DNA evidence to both support such a relationship and to connect with other researchers. Thus, I'd like to be able to search my DNA matches for the surnames of James and Rebecca (Anderson) Crawford's. Finding multiple matches when searching for Creath, Guthrie, or Vawter suggest a possible relationship between my ancestor and James Crawford (1758-1836). But, I also find matches for the surname of McPheeters, which suggests the other trees may be correct. These DNA matches would be helpful IF our paper trees matched. Unfortunately, our trees don't match making it difficult to utilize this DNA data.

For my DNA matches to be helpful, I need my tree to be as accurate as possible. I also need others to have trees as accurate as possible. So, ***if you find something in my tree that you disagree with, please contact me!***

Below are links to my data:

- RootsMagic data Rev. James Crawford (1753-1803)
- James Crawford (1758-1836)
- James Crawford (1772-1854)
- Ancestry Tree: Heartland Genealogy

Miller Heirs – Crawford Deed

Saturday, June 08, 2019

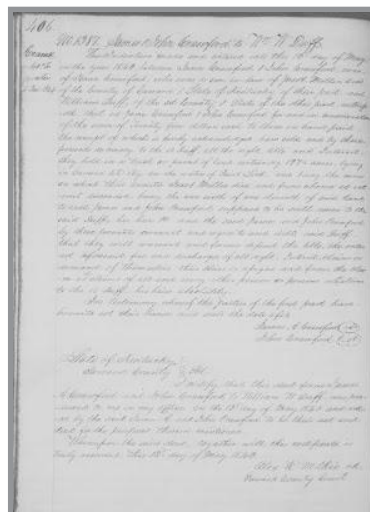
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No 1387 James & John Crawford to Wm W Duff

This Indenture made and entered into this 13th day of May in the year 1840, between James Crawford & John Crawford, sons of Isaac Crawford, who was a son-in-law of Jacob Miller, decd of the County of Garrard & State of Kentucky on their part, and William Duff of the sd County and State of the other part, witness eth that sd James Crawford & John Crawford for and in consideration of the sum of twenty five dollars each to them in hand paid the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged have sold and by theses presents do convey tot he sd Duff all the right, title and Interest they hold in a tract or parcel of land containing 197 1/2 acres, lying in Garrard Cty Ky on the waters of Paint Lick, and being the same on which their ancestor Jacob Miller died and from whence sd interest descended, being the one sixth of one eleventh of said land to each James and John Crawford supposed to be sixth acres to the said Duff, his heirs [jc] and the said James and John Crawford by these presents covenant and agree to and with said Duff that they will warrant and forever defend the title, the interest aforesaid free and discharged of all right, interest, claim or demand of themselves their heirs or assigns and from the claim or claims of all and every other person or persons whatever to the sd Duff, his heirs absolutely.

*In testimony whereof the parties of the first part have
hereunto set their hands and seals the date aforesaid*

James A Crawford (seal)

John Crawford (seal)

State of Kentucky

Garrard County

I certify that this deed from James

A. Crawford and John Crawford to William W Duff was produced to me in my office on the 13th day of May 1840 and acknowledged by the said James A. and John Crawford to be their act and deed for the purposes therein mentioned.

Whereupon the said deed, together with this certificate is truly recorded this 13th day of May 1840

Alex R McKee clerk

Garrard County Court

Deeds Identifying Miller Heirs

Sunday, June 09, 2019

I'm trying to figure out whether the Isaac Crawford and wife Nancy of Jefferson County, Indiana are the Isaac Crawford who married Nancy Miller in Garrard County, Kentucky. Thus, I'm tracking the transfer of land by heirs of Jacob Miller, Nancy Miller's father.

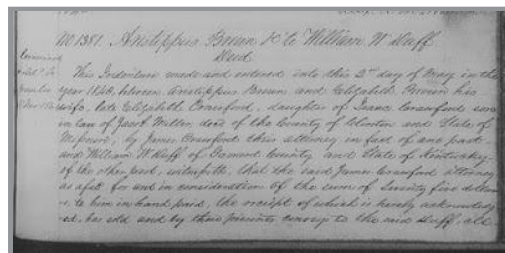
In May 1840, James and John Crawford were identified as sons of Isaac Crawford when they sold their 1/6th of 1/11th of Jacob Miller's land to William Duff. Going back through the deeds, I have identified three other deeds where portions of Jacob Miller's land was sold to William Duff. Two of those deeds also involve heirs of Isaac Crawford.

Aristippus Brown to William Duff — 2 May 1840

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Land and Property

Deeds, Vols. N-O 1838-1843
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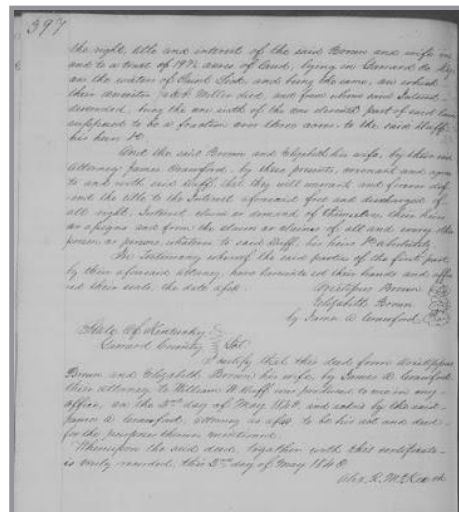


No. 1381
Aristippus Brown [sc] to William W Duff

Deed

This Indenture made and entered into this 2nd day of May in the year 1840 between Aristippus Brown and Elizabeth Brown his wife, late Elizabeth Crawford, daughter of Isaac Crawford son in law of Jacob Miller decd of the County of Clinton and State of Missouri, by James Crawford their attorney in fact of and part and William W Duff of Garrard County and State of Kentucky of the other part, witnesseth taht the said James Crawford attorney as afsd for and in consideration of the sum of seventy five dollar rs to him in hand paid, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged has sold and by these presents conveys to the said Duff, all

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the right, title and interest of the said Brown and wife in and to a tract of 197 1/2 acres of land, lying in Garrard Co Ky on the waters of Paint Lick, and being the same on which their ancestor Jacobe Miller died, and from whom said Interest descended, being the one sixth of one eleventh part of said land supposed to be a fraction over three acres to the said Duff his heirs [jc]

And the said Brown and Elizabeth his wife, by their said attorney James Crawford by these presents covenant and agree to and with said Duff that they will warrant and forever defend the title to the Interest aforesaid free and discharged of all right Interest claim or demand of themselves their heirs or assigns and from the claim or claims of all and every other person or persons, whatever to said Duff, his heirs [jc] absolutely In testimony whereof the said parties of the first part by their aforesaid attorney have hereunto set their hands and affixed their seals the date aforesaid

Aristippus Brown (seal)

Elizabeth Brown (seal)

by James A Crawford (seal)

State of Kentucky

Garrard County

I certify that this deed from Aristippus

Brown and Elizabeth Brown his wife, by James A. Crawford their attorney to William W. Duff was produced to me in my office on the 2nd day of May 1840 and acted by the said James A. Crawford attorney as aforesaid to be his act and deed for the purposes therein mentioned.

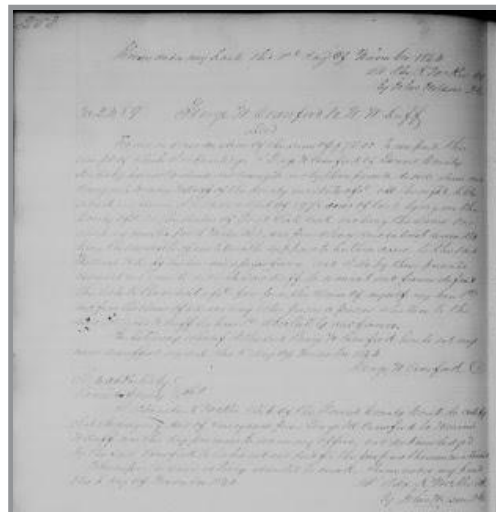
Whereupon the said deed together with this certificate is truly recorded, this 2nd day of May 1840.

Alex R McKee ck

George W Crawford to W Wo Duff – 6 Nov 1844

Garrard County Kentucky Land and Property

Deeds, Vols. P-Q 1843-1859 FamilySearch Film 183248 DGS 8568106

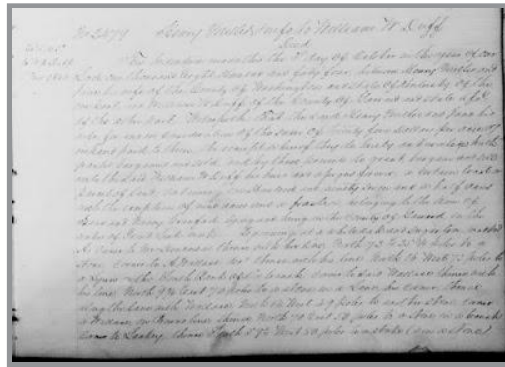


No 2489 George W Crawford to W W Duff Deed

For and in consideration of the sum of \$75.00 to me paid thereceipt of which I acknowledge I George W Crawford of Garrard County Kentucky have sold aliened and conveyed and by these presents do sell alien and convey unto William W. Duff of the County and State afd all the right title interest and claim I hold in a tract of 197 1/2 acres of land lying n the County afd on the waters of Paint Lick Creek and being the same on which my ancestor Jacob Miller decd was from whence said interest descended being the one sixth of one eleventh supposed to be three acres to the said William W Duff his heirs and assigns forever and I do by these presents covenant and agree to [?] with said Duff to warrant and forever defend the title to the interest afd free from the claim of myself my heirs etc and from the claims of all and every other person or persons whatsoever to the said William W Duff his heirs [sc] absolutely and forever. In testimony whereof I the said George W Crawford hereto set my hand and affixed my seal this 6th day of November 1844 George W Crawford State of Kentucky Garrard County I Alexander McKee clerk of the Garrard County Court do certify that the foregoing deed of conveyance from George W Crawford to William W Duff was this day produced to me in my office and acknowledged by the said Crawford to be his act and deed for the purposes therein mentioned. Whereupon the same is timely admitted to record. Given under my hand this 6 day of November 1844 Alex R McKee ck

Henry Miller and wife Jane to William w Duff – 3 Oct 1844

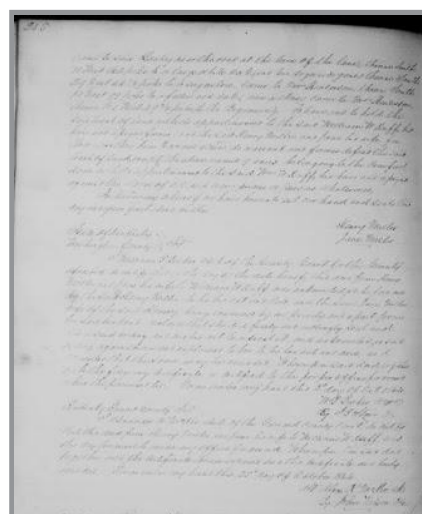
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No 2479 Henry Miller & wife to William W DuffDeed

This Indenture mad this the 3rd day of October in the year of ourLord one thousand eight hundred and forty four between Henry Millerand Jane his wife of the County of Washington and state of Kentucky of theone part and William W Duff of the County of Garrard and state afsdof the other part Witnesseth that the said Henry Miller and Jane hiswife for and in consideration of the sum of twenty five dollars per acre [jc]in hand paid to them, the receipt where of they do hereby acknowledge hathgranted bargained and sold and by these presents do grant, bargain and sellunto the said William W Duff his heirs and assigns forever, a certain tract orparcel of land, containing one hundred and ninety seven and a half acreswith the exception of nine acres and a fraction belong to the heir ofIsaac and Nancy Crawford lying and being in the county of Garrard, on thewater of Paint Lick creek. Beginning at a white oak and sugar tree marked(A) corner to Mrs Henderson thence with her line North 73 E 35 3/4 poles to astone corner to A Wallace decd thence with his line North 16 West 73 poles toa Lynn on the South Bank of Sd branch corner to said Wallace thence withhis line North 9 3/4 East 70 poles to a stone in a lane, his corner, thencealong the lane with Wallace North 14 west 49 poles to another stone cornerto Wallace on Browns line thence North 70 East 50 poles to a stone in a branchcorner to Lackey thence South 59 1/4 West 80 poles to a stake (now a stone)

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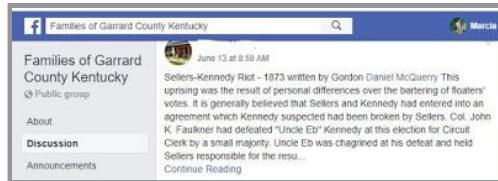
corner to said Lackey near the road at the turn of the lane, thence South11 West 162 poles to a large white oak (and two dogwoods gone) thence South29 East 64 3/4 poles to a sugar tree, corner to Mrs. Henderson, thence South80 East 99 poles to a fallen red oak

(now a stone) corner to Mrs. Hendersonthence 21 West 49 3/4 poles to th beginning. To have and to hold thesaid tract of land with its appurtenances to the said William W Duff, hisheirs and assigns forever, and the said Henry Miller and Jane his wife forthemselves their heirs exr and admrs to warrant and forever defend the saidtract of land except the above named 9 acres belong to the Crawfordheirs with its appurtenances to the said Wm W Duff his heirs and assignsagainst the claim of all and every person or persons whatsoever.In testimony whereof we have hereunto set our hand and seals thisday and year first above writtenHenry MillerJane MillerState of KentuckyWashington CountyI William P Booker clerk of the county court for the countyaforesaid do certify that on the day of the date hereof this deed from HenryMiler and Jane his wife to William W Duff was acknowledged before meby the said Henry Miller to be his act and deed and the said Jane Millerwife of the said Henry being examined by me privily and apart fromher husband declared that she did freely and willingly seal anddeliver said writing and wishes not to retract it, and acknowledges saidwriting again shown and explained to her to be her act and deed,andconsented that the same may be recorded. Whereupon said deed togetherwith the foregoing certificate is certified to the proper office for recordwhere the premises be. Given under my hand the 3d day of Oct 1844W B Booker CWCBy J P S[horn] DCKentucky Garrard County [Jct]I Alexander R McKee clerk of the Garrard county court do certifythat the deed from Henry Miller and Jane his wife to William W Duff wasthis day produced to me in my office for record. Whereupon the said deedtogether with the certificate thereon [and ?] and the certificate are trulyrecorded. Given under my hand this 25th day of October 1844att Alex R McKee ckby John Wilson DC

Sellers Deed

Sunday, June 16, 2019

Have you ever encountered some random information in a Facebook post that led you to look for additional records? That was my experience recently when someone posted in the Families of Garrard County, Kentucky group about the Sellers-Kennedy riot.



Since my Crawford family left Garrard County before 1820, I haven't paid much attention to the history of the county after that. One of the Crawford lines I'm tracking from the Garrard County area had two daughters marry into the Sellers family. (William Sellers married Sarah Crawford and James Sellers married Mary Crawford) These particular Sellers families also moved out of the county.

At this point, I don't know how the Sellers of the 1873 riot connect to the Sellers family of the 1790s but I'm guessing they do connect.

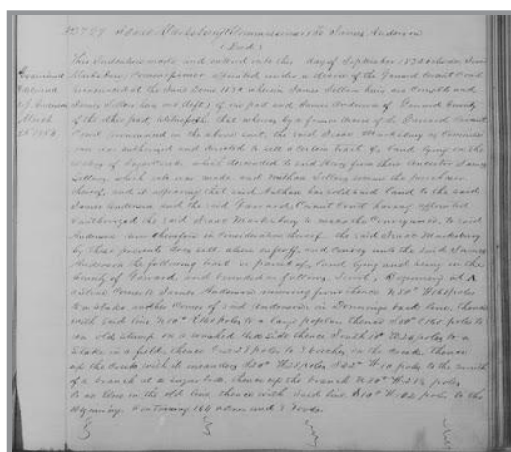
One of the comments on the post mentioned the search for Sellers deeds. When I looked back at my research, I realized I did not have the deed for the sale of land. Since those records are easily accessible on FamilySearch, I located that deed today.

At first glance, this deed may be for land that belonged to James Sellers and Mary Crawford.

Garrard County, Kentucky
Land and Property

Deeds, Vols. R-S 1849-1859
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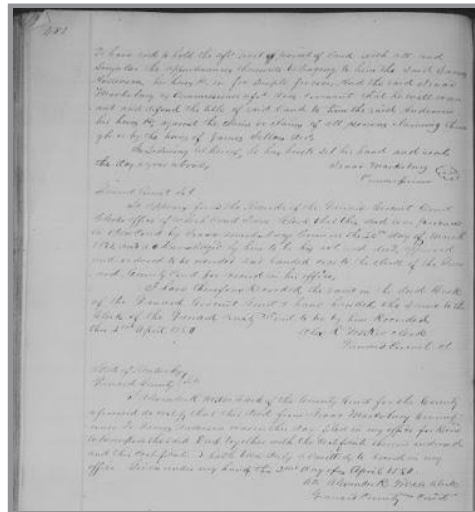
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No 3799 Isaac Marksbury Commissioner to James Anderson
(deed)

This indenture made and entered into this day of September 1830 between Isaac Marksbury Commissioner appointed under a **decree of the Garrard Circuit Court pronounced at the June Term 1830** wherein James Sellars heirs are complete and James Sellar heirs are deft of one part and James Anderson of Garrard County of the other part, witnesseth that whereas by a former decree of the Garrard Circuit Court pronounced in the above suit, the said Isaac Marksbury as Commissioner was authorized and directed to sell a certain tract of land lying on the waters of Sugar Creek, which descended to the said heirs from their ancestor James Sellars, which sale was mad and Nathan Sellars became the purchaser thereof, and it appearing that said Nathan has sold said land to the said James Anderson, and the said Garrard Circuit Court having appointed & authorized the said Isaac Marksbury to make the conveyance, to said Anderson now therefor in consideration thereof the said Isaac Marksbury by these presents does sell alien en[seoss] and convey unto the said James Anderson the following tract or parcel of land lying and being in the County of Garrard and bounded as follows to wit Beginning at A a stone corner to James Anderson running from thence N 80 degrees W 160 poles to a stake another corner of said Anderson in Downings back line, thence with said line N 10 degrees E 160 poles to a large poplar thence S 80 degrees E 160 poles to an old stump on a washed hill side thence South 10 degrees W 26 poles to a stake in a field thence East 28 poles to 3 beeches in the creek thence up the creek with its meanders S 20 degrees W 28 poles S 42 degrees W 10 poles to the mouth of a branch at a sugar tree thence up the branch N 80 degrees W 21 1/2 poles to an Elm in the old line thence with said line S 10 degrees W 102 poles to the beginning containing 164 acres and 3 roods.

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To have and to hold the afsd tract or parcel of land with all and singular the appurtenances thereunto belonging to him the said James Anderson his heirs [pd] in fee simple forever and the said Isaac Marksbury as Commissions afsd does covenant that he will warrant and defend the title of said land to him the said Anderson his heirs [fd] against the claim or claims of all persons claiming through or by the heirs of James Sellars, decd.

In Testimony whereof he has hereto set his hand and seal the day & year above

Isaac Marksbury
Commissioner
Garrard circuit Sct

It appears from the records of the Garrard Circuit Court Clerks office of which court I am clerk that this deed was produced in open County by Isaac Marksbury Comm on the 24th day of March 1831, and acknowledged by him to be his act and deed approved and ordered to be recorded and handed over to the clerk of the Garrard County Court for record in his office.

I have therefor recorded the same in the deed Book of the Garrard Circuit Court & have handed the same to the Clerk of the Garrard County Court to be by him recorded this 2nd April 1830.

Alex R McKee Clerk
Garrard Circuit Ct

This deed has a clue that hopefully will lead to more records:

decree of the Garrard Circuit Court pronounced at the June Term 1830

Now to locate the correct set of court records and find the Sellars case in those records!

Father's Day

Monday, June 17, 2019

Saturday Night Genealogy Fun

Here is your assignment if you choose to play along (cue the Mission Impossible music, please!):

- 1) It's Father's Day in the USA on Sunday, so let's talk about our fathers.
- 2) Show us your favorite photograph of your father – the one that shows him in the best light possible. Describe the occasion, the setting, and the people in the photograph.

One of my favorite pictures of my father (Eugene Crawford) is of him in his physics classroom at Dodge City Junior College.



Another favorite picture is of dad trying to read while I was sitting in his lap.



Another group of favorite pictures are of us during Christmas time in 1953.

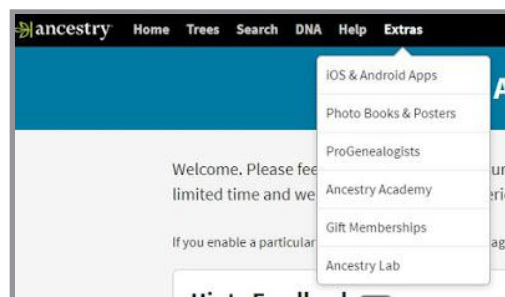


Ancestry Hints – New Beta

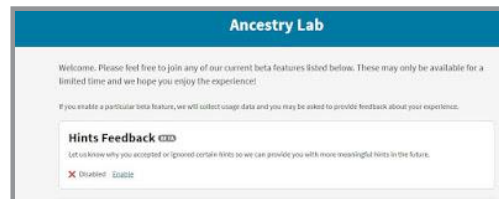
Friday, June 21, 2019

Have you been frustrated by Ancestry hints that seem illogical? I know I have. I seem to get hints for records from England when my ancestor was born, lived and died in the states. That's why I'm excited about the new 'beta' tool to report those bad hints to Ancestry. Not only can I report 'bad' hints, but I can report 'duplicate' photos and explain why a hint is valid.

To enable this new feature, I had to 'turn it on'. This is done by opening the EXTRAS menu



and pick ANCESTRY LAB from the bottom of the menu.



The HINTS FEEDBACK is the new feature. To make it work, click on ENABLE.

With HINTS FEEDBACK enabled, I am prompted to 'tell' Ancestry why I am ignoring or accepting a hint. For example, I don't accept the hints for the flags, and other images that others have attached to their tree. Below is an example of a hint I would not accept



When I clicked on IGNORE for this hint, a window opened for me to indicate WHY I am ignoring the hint.



Since there isn't a SAVE, SUBMIT or CLOSE button, I'm assuming that I can submit my reason and close the window by clicking on the X in the upper right corner of the window. I also try to IGNORE hints for images that I have already saved in the individual's gallery.



In this case, I just clicked on 'I already have this information'

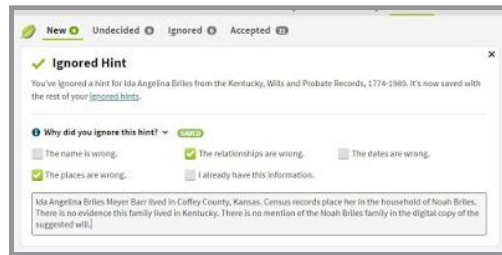


The above examples are for hints for photos. It is also possible to provide feedback for record hints. Below is a hint for Ida Angelina Briles Barr for a Kentucky will.



To evaluate this record, I have to compare the information in this record to the information I already know about Ida Barr. Ida Angelina Briles Barr appears on the census records in Coffey County, Kansas from 1870 thru 1940. These census records indicate that Ida was born in Iowa. In addition, the census records for Ida as a child show her living in the household of Noah Washington Briles and his wife, Sarah. Since the suggested record included images of the Kentucky will, it was easy to read the will and determine that this Kentucky will is for a different BRILES family.

Thus, I will click NO to reject this record. Besides just clicking that the place and relationship was wrong, I added additional information to explain why this hint was not valid.



Not only can I enter information as I work thru new hints, but I can go back and enter information for hints that I had previously ignored. When I go to the HINTS page for an individual in my tree, I have the option of seeing hints I've already accepted and those I've already ignored. If I click on the Ignore link, I can see those ignored hints.



Then, I can enter the 'reason' I ignored each of the hints on this page.



Submitting this feedback to Ancestry will take more of my time. However, it should help Ancestry 'fine-tune' their hinting system to make it more accurate. The more information I can provide Ancestry about these hints, the better the hinting system will become.

Please join me in providing this feedback to Ancestry!

Aristippus Brown

Sunday, June 23, 2019

As part of my CRAWFORD research, I'm trying to determine whether the Isaac Crawford of Jefferson County, Indiana is the same Isaac Crawford who married Nancy Miller in Garrard County, Kentucky. Thus, I'm trying to locate information on potential children. One of those potential children is Elizabeth Crawford who married Aristippus Brown in Clinton County, Missouri.

Unfortunately, I'm having trouble locating much information on Aristippus Brown. What I've been able to locate is a marriage record, land records and mentions in county histories.

Aristippus Brown was married to Elizabeth Crawford in Clinton County, Missouri on 3 August 1836.

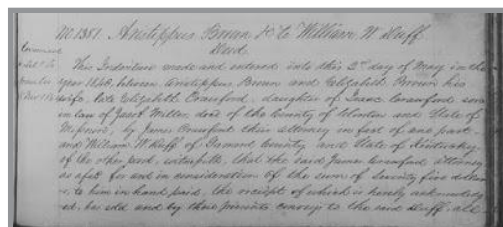
According to the History of Davies and Gentry Counties, Missouri, Aristippus Brown was from Kentucky and lived near Genentryville in 1839. The history indicates that Aristippus Brown moved to California.

In May of 1840, Aristippus Brown and Elizabeth Brown his wife, sold land in Garrard County, Kentucky. This deed identifies Elizabeth as Elizabeth Crawford, daughter of Isaac Crawford and granddaughter of Jacob Miller.

Garrard County Kentucky
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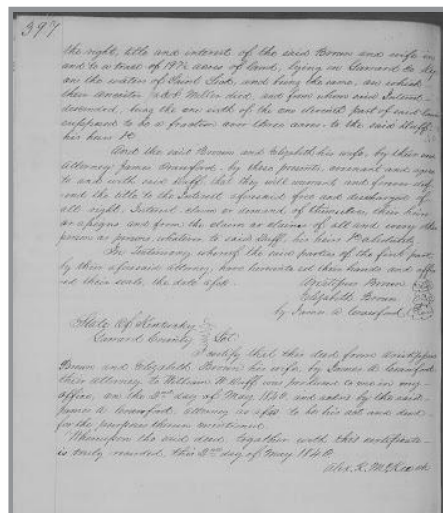
Aristippus Brown [sc] to William W Duff

Deed

This Indenture made and entered into this 2nd day of May in the year 1840 between Aristippus Brown and Elizabeth Brown his wife, late Elizabeth Crawford, daughter of Isaac Crawford son in law of Jacob Miller decd of the County of Clinton and State of Missouri, by James Crawford their attorney in fact of and part and William W Duff of Garrard County and State of Kentucky of the other part, witnesseth that the said James Crawford attorney

as afsd for and in consideration of the sum of seventy five dollar
rs to him in hand paid, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledg
ed has sold and by these presents conveys to the said Duff, all

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the right, title and interest of the said Brown and wife in
and to a tract of 197 1/2 acres of land, lying in Garrard Co Ky
on the waters of Paint Lick, and being the same on which
their ancestor Jacob Miller died, and from whom said Interest
descended, being the one sixth of one eleventh part of said land
supposed to be a fraction over three acres to the said Duff
his heirs [jc]

And the said Brown and Elizabeth his wife, by their said
attorney James Crawford by these presents covenant and agree
to and with said Duff that they will warrant and forever def
end the title to the Interest aforesaid free adn discharged of
all right Interest claim or demand of themselves their heirs
or assigns and from the claim or claims of all and every other
person or persons, whatever to said Duff, his heirs [jc] absolutely
In testimony whereof the said parties of the first part
by their aforesaid attorney have hereunto set their hands and affix
ed their seals the date afsd

Aristippus Brown (seal)

Elizabeth Brown (seal)

by James A Crawford (seal)

State of Kentucky

Garrard County

I certify that this deed from Aristippus

Brown and Elizabeth Brown his wife, by James A. Crawford
their attorney to William W. Duff was produced to me in my
office on the 2nd day of May 1840 and acnd by the said
James A. Crawford attorney as afsd to be his act and deed
for the purposes therein mentioned.

Whereupon the said deed together with this certificate

is truly recorded, this 2nd day of May 1840.
Alex R McKee ck

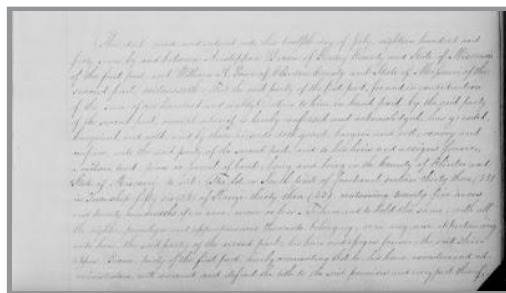
According to the 'Early History of Gentry County' published in the 13 February 1936 edition of the Albany Ledger (Albany, Missouri), Aristippus Brown was living in Miller Township of Gentry County about 1845.

In June of 1845, Aristippus Brown of Mills Township was appointed justice of the peace according to the History of Davies and Gentry Counties.

In July 1847, Aristippus Brown sold land in Gentry County being a fractional part of section 33, Township 56 range 33 containing twenty five acres. The deed did not mention a wife.

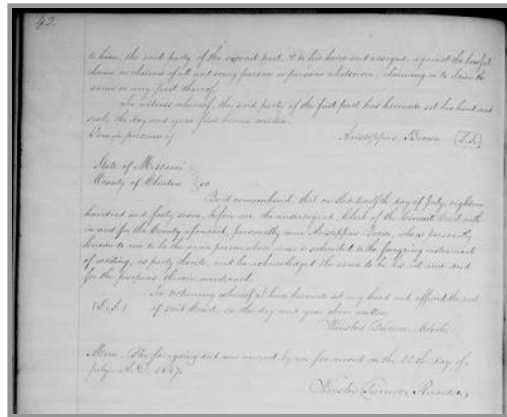
Gentry County, Missouri
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This deed, made and entered into this twelfth day of July, eighteen hundred and forty seven by and between Aristippus Brown of Gentry County and State of Missouri of the first part, and William R. Powe of Clinton County and State of Missouri of the second part, witnesseth, that the said party of the first part for and in consideration of the sum of one hundred and eighty dollars to him in hand paid by the said party of the second part receipt whereof is hereby confessed and acknowledged has granted, bargains and sold, and by these presents doth grant, bargain and sell, convey and confirm unto the said party of the second part, and to his heirs and assigns forever, a certain tract, piece or parcel of land, lying and being in the County of Clinton and State of Missouri to wit: the lot or South part of fractional section thirty three (33) in Township fifty six(56) of range thirty three (33) containing twenty five acres and twenty hundredths of an acre more or less. To have and to hold the same, with all the rights privileges and appurtenances thereunto belonging or in any wise appertaining unto him, the said party of the second part, his heirs and assigns forever; the said Aristippus Brown, party of the first part hereby covenanting that he his heirs executors and administrators will warrant and defend the title to the said premises and every part thereof,

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to him the said party of the second part & to his heirs and assigns, against the lawful claim or claims of all and every person or persons whatsoever, claiming or to claim the same or any part thereof.

It witness whereof, the said party of the first part has hereunto set his hand and seal, the day and year first herein written.

Aristippus Brown (SS)

Done in presence of

State of Missouri

County of Clinton ss

Be it remembered that on this twelfth day of July eighteen hundred and forty seven, before me, the undersigned Clerk of the Circuit Court within and for the County aforesaid, personally came Aristippus Brown, who is personally known to me to be the same person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument

of writing, as party thereto, and he acknowledged the same to be his act and deed for the purposes therein mentioned.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal (S.S.) of said Court, on the day and year above written.

Winslow Turner, Clerk

Mem. The foregoing deed was received by me for record on the 12th day of July A.D. 1847.

Winslow Turner, Recorder.

In June 1848, Aristippus Brown filed patents for two tracts of land in Gentry County, Missouri. Certificate 5112 was for 40 acres in section 1, Township 60 Range 31. Certificate 4664 was for the SE 1/4 Section 36, Township 60, Range 31. (Bureau of Land Management)

Certificate

No. 5112



The United States of America
 To all to whom these Presents shall come, Greeting:
 Whereas, Aristippus Brown, of Gentry County, Missouri
 has deposited in the General Land Office of the United States, a Certificate of the
 Register of the
 Land Office at Plattsburg whereby it appears that full payment has been made by the
 said
 Aristippus Brown
 according to the provisions of the
 Act of Congress of the 24th of April, 1820, entitled "An Act making further provision for
 the sale of Public Lands," for
 Lot number One of the North East fractional quarter
 of section one in Township sixty one of Range thirty
 one in the District of Lands subject to sale as Platts
 burg, Missouri, containing, Forty acres
 according to the official plat of the survey of said lands, returned to the General Land
 Office by the Surveyor
 General, which said tract has been purchased by the said
 Aristippus Brown
 Now Know ye, that the
 United States of America, in consideration of the Premises, and in conformity with the
 several acts of Congress,
 in such case made and provided, Have given and granted, and by these presents do
 Give and Grant,
 unto the said, Aristippus Brown
 and to his heirs, the said tract above described; to have and to hold the same, together
 with all the rights
 privileges, immunities and appurtenances of whatsoever nature, thereunto belonging,
 unto the said
 Aristippus Brown
 and to his heirs and assigns forever
 In Testimony whereof, I James K Polk
 President of the United States of American, have caused these letters to be made Patent,
 and

the seal, of the General Land Office to be hereunto affixed.
Given under my hand, at the City of Washington, the first day of June
in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty eight and of the
Independence of the United States the seventy second
by the President; James K Polk
by J F Stephens [Afor} Sec'y
S H Laughlin Recorder of the General Land Office

Bureau of Land Management
Patent Image

Pre-Emption
Certificate
No. 4664



The United States of America

To all to whom these Presents shall come, Greeting:
Whereas Aristippus Brown of Gentry County Missouri
has deposited in the General Land Office of the United States, a Certificate of the
Register of the
Land Office at Plattsburg, whereby it appears that full payment has been made by the
said
Aristippus Brown
according to the provisions of the
Act of Congress of the 24th of April, 1820, entitled "An Act making further provision for
the sale of Public Lands," for
the South East quarter of Section Thirty Six in Township Sixty
two of Range Thirty one in the District of Lands subject to
sale at Plattsburg Missouri containing one hundred and
sixty acres
according to the official plat of the survey of the said Lands, returned to the General Land

*Office by the Surveyor
General, which said tract has been purchased by the said Aristippus Brown
Now Know ye, that the
United States of America, in consideration of the Premises, and in conformity with the
several acts of Congress,
in such case made and provided, Have given and granted, and by these presents do
Give and Grant,
unto the said Aristippus Brown
and to his heirs, the said tract above described: to have and to hold the same, together
with all the rights,
privileges, immunities and appurtenances of whatsoever nature, thereunto belonging
unto the said Aristippus Brown
and to his heirs and assigns forever.
In testimony whereof, I James K Polk
President of the United States of America, have caused these Letters to be made Patent,
and
the Seal of the General Land Office to be hereunto affixed.
Given under my hand, at the City of Washington, the Tenth day of June
in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty eight and of the
independence of the United States the twenty second
By the President: James K Polk
by J K Stephens [Sfor] Sec'y
S. H. Laughlin, Recorder of the General Land Office*

In 1876, Aristippus Brown was listed on the California Voter Registration records living in Lake County, California.

I'm hoping that by learning more about Aristippus Brown, his wife Elizabeth Crawford and her siblings I'll be able to determine whether the Isaac and Nancy Crawford of Jefferson County, Indiana is the Isaac Crawford who married Nancy Miller in Garrard County, Kentucky.

James or George

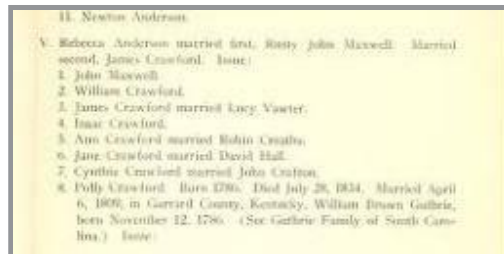
Thursday, June 27, 2019

Do you have a brick wall? Does that brick wall involve identifying the father of an ancestor? At some point, many of us face such a brick wall.

One of my brick walls involves my ancestor, James Crawford. My James Crawford married Sally Duggins in 1799 in Garrard County, Kentucky. All of my research efforts have not punched a hole in this brick wall. Thus, I'm using the FAN (friends acquaintances, and neighbors) club method to branch out and try to find a way around this brick wall. I'm currently researching all of the Crawford families in the area of Garrard County, Kentucky during its early days of settlement.

One of those families is James Crawford and his wife Rebecca Anderson. *My current theory is that this James Crawford might be an uncle to my ancestor.* Thus, I'm hoping that by researching James and Rebecca and their children, I might find something relating to my James Crawford. Unfortunately, identifying the children of James and Rebecca is proving to be difficult.

I found information about this family in the Florence Wilson Houston book, Maxwell History and Genealogy



This book identifies the children of James and Rebecca as William Crawford, James Crawford, Isaac Crawford, Ann Crawford, Jane Crawford, Cynthia Crawford, and Polly Crawford. Even though this information is just a hint, it has proven valuable in locating records for the children of James and Rebecca. Unfortunately, I haven't been able to locate a will, probate record or even a deed that identifies these children as the children of James and/or Rebecca Crawford.

When it comes to Isaac Crawford, some other researchers show his father as George Crawford and not James. Thus, I'm trying to figure out whether there are two Isaac Crawfords in the Garrard County, Kentucky area at the same time or whether someone has an incorrect father for Isaac Crawford – and that someone could be me.

My theory: The Isaac Crawford married to Nancy Miller is the son of James and Rebecca Crawford.

Do I have any rock solid evidence to support this theory? No! I only have tidbits of information that might connect Isaac to James and Rebecca Crawford. Most of what I have simply places Isaac Crawford in the same area as James and Rebecca during the same time period.

In that same area, several sources indicate that Isaac Crawford married Nancy Miller on 2 Dec 1808.

[illegible][illegible]

LIFE SKETCH OF PHILEMON VAWTER CRAWFORD

(Written by himself in 1882)

James Crawford, my grandfather on my father's side, was born in 1759 and reared on or near James River, Virginia, and at the age of sixteen years volunteered in what was known as the Virginia line and served three years in the Revolutionary War. He afterward—date unknown to me—married Rebecca Anderson, and they reared eight children, three sons and five daughters. My father, James Maxwell Crawford, was the third son, and was born March 3, 1790, in Jared county, Kentucky, where my grandfather had removed among the first settlers of that region, and where they had many bloody encounters with the savages, my grandfather having a full share in the troubles.

But to hasten the story: My grandfather again moved, from Jared county, Kentucky, to Jefferson county, Indiana, in March, 1811, when my father was twenty-one years of age, and settled within three miles of where the city of Madison now stands.

I have yet to find a record or records linking Isaac Crawford to James Crawford, thus, I have to consider the possibility that there are either two Isaac Crawfords married to a Nancy or that Isaac's father is George Crawford. My next step is to contact other researchers to see if they can provide information to prove or disprove my theory.

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Crawford as the father of Isaac. Since the change log allows me to see who made changes to Isaac Crawford [LQ5D-25H], I can see who is in the 'James camp' and who is in the 'George camp'.



I have used the FamilySearch messaging system to contact these researchers – and I have received a hint that there is a court record involving Isaac's sister, Polly Guthrie, that may identify the children of James.

Some might wonder why I'm spending so much time investigating Isaac since he isn't my ancestor. The primary reason is that I'm hoping that by following James and Rebecca's children, grandchildren, etc. I will stumble across some clue that will take me around my brick wall and identify the parents or siblings of my ancestor. My second reason is that one of my DNA matches descends from Isaac and my match is in the 'George' camp.

Check out Isaac Crawford on my RootsMagic website and let me know who you think his father is.

Organization

Friday, June 28, 2019

Have you been following all of the Facebook posts about organizing and tracking your genealogy research? If you haven't then you might want to check out some of these posts:

- The Genealogy Squad – search for 'organizing' posts
- The Organized Genealogists – check out the files submitted to this group

If you haven't joined these or other genealogy groups on Facebook, then you are missing out on a lot of help!

Because of the recent discussions around organizing one's genealogy, I thought I'd share what I've found useful. Since my genealogy adventure began prior to the Internet, I started with a lot of paper. Thus, I had to have a way to organize it so I could go back and find my notes. As Drew Smith has suggested, I used the SURNAME as my first level of organization. Because I had too much information to fit in one folder for the SURNAME, I subdivided my notes. Below is an example of how those folders were named for one of my surnames:

- Crawford
- Crawford – Letters
- Crawford – Census
- Crawford – Kansas
- Crawford – Indiana
- Crawford – Ohio
- Crawford – Kentucky
- Crawford – Virginia



As my research has broadened to include the siblings and others of the Surname living in the area, I started adding sub-folders for those individuals. At first, I was just using the person's name for the folder. However, the computer would sort those folder alphabetically. Growing frustrated with the alphabetical arrangement, I changed the way I named the folders to put the year of the person's birth first. Thus, the folders get arranged chronologically.

Dropbox > Genealogy > Exhibits > Crawford

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1808-Crawford-Nelson-G
1810-Crawford-James-S

I have applied the same concept to my file names. When I find a record for an individual, I start the file name with the date of the document, followed by brief sourcing info and end with the name(s) associated with the document.

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It took me a while to develop this organization method and naming pattern. And, my system is far from perfect, but it works for me.

Research Notes

Saturday, June 29, 2019

Do you keep a research log? I have to admit that I would likely get a 'failing grade' for this part of the genealogy standard. I've tried using a paper log and a spreadsheet log, but don't seem to be able to keep it up. Thus, I don't have a 'master index' to locate my research notes.

In May, Pat Richley-Erickson, posted a question to the Facebook group, The Organized Genealogist, asking group members how they organize their research notes. This was followed up by a Wacky Wednesday presentation, Organizing Active Research Notes.

I'm just now starting to watch this presentation, but have already picked up on a hint that I would like to implement in my own research: incorporate the link to the actual file in my notes. (Thanks Cousin Russ for sharing this hint from Drew Smith.)

Even though I seem to fail at keeping a formal research log, I have found a tool that helps me keep track of my active research. That tool is Scrivener. Scrivener is actually a tool designed for writers to organize their research. There are a variety of resources that helped me learn to use Scrivener for genealogy.

- Facebook Group: Scrivener for Genealogists
- Lynn Palermo videos on YouTube: Introduction to Scrivener for Family History Writers
- Cyndi's List – Scrivener for Genealogy
- Legacy News: Three Reasons You Should Be Using Scrivener to Write Your Family History
- The Armchair Genealogist post – Scrivener

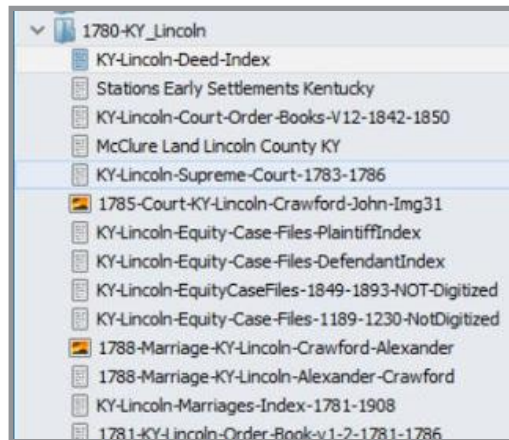
I'm not using Scrivener to write a family history. However, I am using it to collect and organize my research notes. Having discovered Scrivener, I have started creating a Scrivener project for each surname I am actively researching. Within a project, I create a folder on the Research corkboard for the county.

My current research project is my CRAWFORD research. Since much of this research involves counties with shifting county boundaries, I'm using the date the county was formed as part of the folder name.

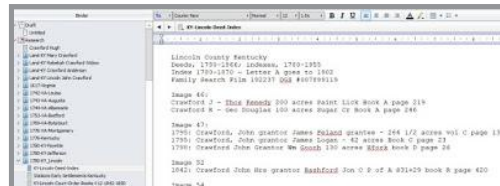


Even though I have to manually sort the folder, having the year the county formed helps me realize that I likely have to look in multiple counties. This date is also a clue to approximate start dates for records in that county. Then within that county folder, I can

- create a file to take notes
- import images of documents
- transcribe the images of documents



When I take notes, I try to put all of the information needed for a citation at the top of the page. Then I add notes from the source.

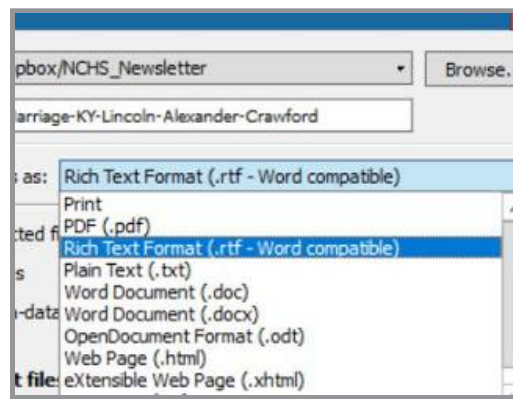


When I import an image, I can switch to a split screen with the image on the top and a 'transcription' file on the bottom.



By transcribing these records, I can copy/paste the transcription into notes or the citation detail in my RootsMagic. I also am copying this information into blog posts so that I can more easily share them with other researchers.

These files can also be exported in a variety of formats.



As I'm researching several different Crawford families in early Kentucky and beyond, I've found Scrivener to be extremely helpful. All of my notes are in this project. Thus, this tool has become my 'Research Log'.



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